



## Major artist helps mental health group

By Trevor Bevins

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ARTIST Grayson Perry has given his support to a Dorset mental health group by offering a sketch for them to auction.

He says he hopes that the Willow Tree Group will be able to get at least £2,000 when his sketch comes under the hammer at Duke's in the coming week.

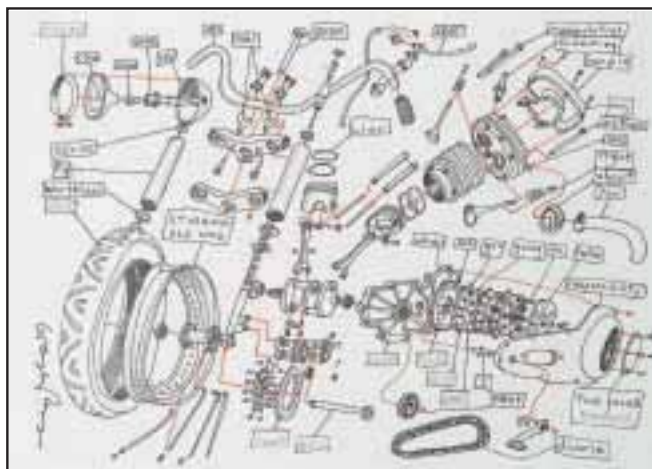
The drawing in black ink and pencil on an A4 sheet of paper was sent through Royal Mail's Special Delivery service in a jiffy bag marked 'Sender: G.

Perry. DO NOT BEND'.

Inside a note read: 'This drawing by Grayson Perry is for the Willow Tree Group silent auction. It is probably worth about £2,000. Good luck!'

Barrie Smith, from the Blandford-based group, wrote more than 100 letters to various people and businesses he thought might help including the artist who is famous for wearing dresses and is best known as a potter.

Mr Smith said that the group was left with having to find £7,000 a



■ THE sketch by Grayson Perry, which will be auctioned on April 16th

year to keep going after its funding was reduced.

Barrie said: "I had

seen Grayson Perry on he seemed a sympathetic and caring person who might help.

"It is a hugely generous donation from Grayson Perry; too big for us to deal with, so I



■ THE lot includes the envelope and Post-it note

asked Duke's if they could auction it."

Amy Brennan from Duke's said: "The sketch is based upon the mechanics of the mind.

"Grayson Perry has drawn a series of disjointed motorbike engine parts in black ink,

highlighted with red pen and shaded with pencil, with speech bubbles enclosing expletives and adjectives describing a disturbed mental state.

"The sketch is extremely powerful and typifies Grayson's use of contemporary and controversial themes, often with an autobiographical theme.

"Phrases used in the sketch include 'When are you going to take responsibility?', 'My

Mother was right about you' and 'I want a divorce'.

"It is almost a dissection on paper of someone's troubled mind.

"We are delighted to be able to sell this work and have waived our fee so the group gets as much money as possible."

The sketch will be sold on April 16th April together with the original jiffy bag it arrived in and the Post-it note from the artist.

## Good Friday Walk of Witness processes in silence through the town



■ DORCHESTER'S Christian community shrugged off the rain to take part in the annual Good Friday Walk of Witness. The town's Rector, Canon Thomas Woodhouse, led a group of more than a hundred from St Peter's Church through the town centre in silence.



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MELINDA and Andrew Newberry moved to live in Bowood, near Salway Ash, Bridport, 12 years ago.

Andrew is a gardener and, until recently, Melinda worked in a solicitors office but left in November to focus on a new business venture in floristry, called Little Strode Flower Farm, and to undertake some floristry training.

Their family consists of two dogs, a cat and some chickens.

To find out more about the Little Strode Flower Farm visit [www.littlestrodeflowerfarm.co.uk](http://www.littlestrodeflowerfarm.co.uk)

#### ● WHAT inspired you both to get into the florist business?

I saw a TV programme some years ago about two women who set up a flower growing business, and I thought "I'd love to do that", and so we have gradually built up the growing part of the business, and the floristry side has been a natural extension of that.

For the past three years we have been developing a small business growing cut flowers. We occasionally have a stall on Bridport Market, and otherwise provide flowers for weddings, parties, funerals etc. We are also now hiring out trees to decorate wedding venues.

#### ● WHAT do you both like doing in your spare time?

Walking our dogs, ideally on one of the lovely coastal walks nearby with a pub lunch at the end of it. We both love the outdoors, and have a long-standing interest in gardening and growing things.

#### ● WHAT has been the highlight of your careers?

Being involved in the Hampton Court Flower Show exhibition last year. It was great to meet other growers and speak to enthusiastic people, potential customers, who love British grown flowers and are keen to find a grower near to them.

#### ● WHAT do you like most about the area?

Having access to the coast and loads of beautiful countryside, and Bridport itself is a lovely town. There is so much going on, and Bridport people really "go for it" and enjoy themselves. You can also pretty much get most things you



need in the town, perhaps buying second hand, or compromising a little - we like to buy locally whenever we can.

#### ● WHICH three people would you both invite to your dream dinner party?

Dinner invites would be David Bowie (musical hero), Sir David Attenborough (what an amaz-

ing life he's had) and Vic Reeves (he would just be really silly and a laugh).

#### ● DO you have any other passions outside of work?

Not sure about passions outside work, but we do love to escape for holidays/breaks to Spain whenever we can.

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# New Max Card will benefit disadvantaged youngsters

NEWLY elected members of the youth parliament were at County Hall to re-launch the 'Max Card'.

The re-launch is being supported by members of the Dorset Youth Council and Dorset Kidz, the Children in Care Council.

The card, offered through Dorset County Council provides discounts to disadvantaged young people plus one friend at

shops, attractions, sports centres, restaurants and entertainments. The Max Card is available to young carers, children in care and some care leavers, as well as any young people who are registered as disabled.

Anne Salter, head of strategy, partnerships and performance said: "It's fantastic that the Members of Youth Parliament, lead by Grace Van Zyl, have pledged

to re-launch the Max Card.

"The Max Card is a great scheme which provides new opportunities and discounts to young people living in Dorset, who might otherwise be excluded."

The new look Max Cards are sponsored by the Shirt Shack, Weymouth, who have produced sweatshirts for the occasion.

Mike Freeman, Shirt Shack's Director said:

"We were very honoured to be asked to be a part of this project which will improve the lives of youngsters."

"By creating the Max Card hoodie, we have developed a clear brand for the project and hope that other sponsors will also come on board."

For more information about the card and where it can be used, visit [www.dorsetforyou.co.uk/maxcard](http://www.dorsetforyou.co.uk/maxcard).



■ YOUTH Parliament members with the new-look Max Card

## Victims' Information Service launched

DORSET Police and Crime Commissioner Martyn Underhill has welcomed a new information and support service for victims.

The new national Victims Information Service (VIS) was developed by the Ministry of Justice and includes a helpline to make sure victims are guided to local support services; and a website where they can find informa-

tion about services in their area.

Mr Underhill, who is his Association's national lead on mental health and policing, said: "I welcome this new service which will compliment and work alongside the services we already offer in Dorset, such as the Victims Bureau and Victims Support."

"It is vital that victims of crime are put

first. They deserve the best possible care to help them cope and recover with their experiences."

The service can be contacted online at [www.victimsinformation.org.uk](http://www.victimsinformation.org.uk) or by calling 0808 168 9293.

## New PCSO based at Poundbury

POUNDBURY now has a new Police and Community Support Officer, Rob Henry, who will be based at the Dorchester Fire Station for a trial period of six months.

Local Inspector Steve Marsh said that with the town's police inquiry desk now closed the force will have trained

volunteers in the library two days each week from the end of April, or early May, to deal with police matter.

He said those volunteers will have a direct line to the police control room if people need to speak to a uniformed officer immediately.

# 500 bags of rubbish collected from south west's beaches



■ BLUSTERY weather didn't deter these volunteer litter pickers at Studland bay

MORE than 500 bags of rubbish were collected from the south west's beaches during the National Trust Big Beach Clean Week.

More than 460 volunteers helped teams on 19 beaches kicking off a year-long Coastal Festival of events celebrating the 50th anniversary of Neptune, a campaign created to help protect our coastline from inappropriate development and care for it for everyone.

Bella Crawford, Coastal Festival leader for the National Trust said: "Our Big Beach Clean week was about getting people out on our beaches to meet our staff and learn about the work we do to protect the coastline that we all love. But it was also important work to ensure that our beaches are clean and safe to wel-

come locals and visitors."

"Thank you to everyone, both locally and further afield, who gave up their time and volunteered with us as part of the Big Beach Clean. We were staggered by the response and it is really heartening that so many people feel so passionately about keeping our beaches clean for the benefit of both people and nature. It is sadly pretty obvious", added Bella, "that however precious the beaches are to us all, litter is on the increase"

Among the items collected were a Welsh Rugby Union ball, a museum model of a skeleton, a tractor tyre and a toilet seat.

A recent survey by the Marine Conservation Society found that rubbish on UK coasts rose by 6.4% from 2013 to

2014, figures indicate that plastic is still the most common litter found on UK beaches. There was also a significant amount of rubbish from commercial and recreational fishing.

The MCS is calling on the government to implement a national ma-

rine litter action plan to address the main sources of rubbish in the UK's seas, from the public, fishing, shipping and sewage-related debris. The government is currently consulting on the measures needed to meet EU standards on marine litter.



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# Child sexual exploitation: police arrest seven men

LAST WEEK, Dorset police carried out a day of action on suspected perpetrators of child sexual exploitation (CSE), which resulted in seven men being arrested.

The men, aged between 18 and 24 years of age, were arrested on suspicion of a range of alleged offences which include causing or inciting a child to engage in sexual activity, supply of a controlled drug, sexual activity with a child, causing a child to watch or look at an image of sexual activity and facilitating the commission of child offences.

CSE is a form of child abuse that involves the manipulation or coercion of young people to engage in sexual activity in exchange for money, gifts including alcohol, tobacco and drugs, accommodation, affection or status.

The arrests were the result of three separate investigations working in partnership with Social Services, the NHS, schools, and various specialist units throughout

Dorset police.

Detective Inspector Neil Phillips, of the CSE investigation team, said: "Following information passed on to us by schools and social workers, our officers gathered intelligence on the suspects leading to their positive identification and location.

"Four girls aged between 14 and 16 years old are now safe and multi-agency work is going on to ensure they continue to be safe.

"No charges have been made at this time and our investigations are continuing."

There are many signs that a child may be at risk. These include drug or alcohol misuse, sexual health issues and sexualised behaviour, sudden access to money or new things, self-harm, change in appearance, change in temperament, low self-esteem, unexplained injuries, criminality, older friends and acquaintances and repeatedly going missing from home or school.

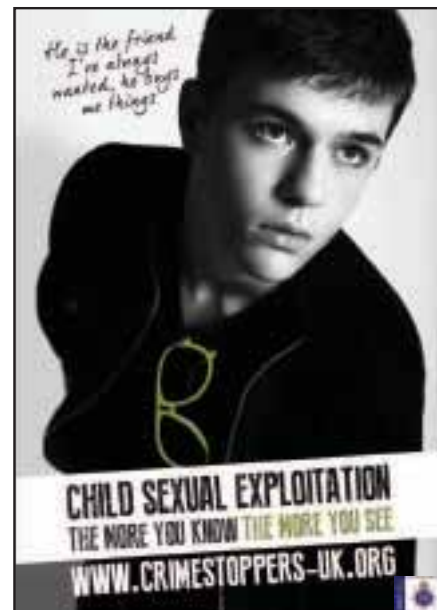
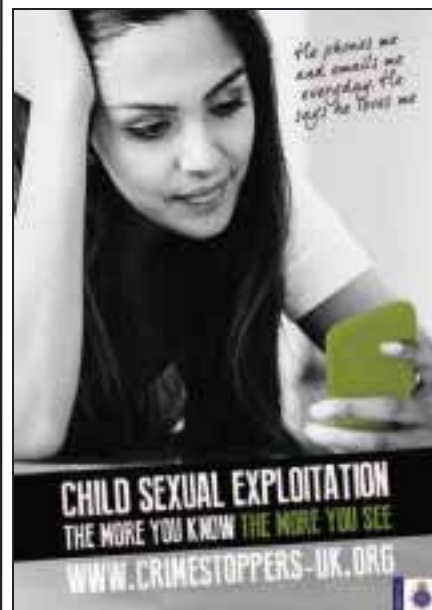
Detective Inspector Neil Phillips continued: "CSE is a public protection priority everywhere. Members of the public, retailers and those in service industries such as taxi drivers, hoteliers and food outlets can help safeguard children at risk by looking out for signs of vulnerability and abuse.

"We encourage everyone from all walks of life to think, watch and speak out.

"There is a responsibility on everyone in society to do all they can to protect vulnerable people. Together, we can work to inform, educate and prevent this form of child abuse.

"We are resolute in our determination to identify perpetrators of CSE and bring them to justice."

If you have any concerns that a child you know may be a victim of Child Sexual Exploitation, report it in absolute confidence to Dorset Police on 101 or, in an emergency, call 999 and make an immediate report.



■ TWO of the police's 'The more you know, the more you see' posters

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## County council chief exec to run marathon

DORSET County Council's chief executive, Debbie Ward, will be amongst the thousands lining up to run in the London Mara-thon later this month.

She will be taking on the 26-mile challenge to raise money for LV Streetwise, a Dorset charity that works with children and young people to prevent accidents and deaths on the roads, in the home and where they play.

On her webpage she says: "This is my first marathon and I hope it will be as much fun as my half marathon in Bournemouth last year. "I've been training in

the dark, wind, rain, snow, ice with occasional sunshine since Christmas. I am determined to finish and raise as much cash as I can for LV Streetwise.

"Streetwise works hard to stop accidents by helping children to learn about potential dangers in the everyday world around them in a safe, controlled, memorable and exciting venue.

"The people who run the charity are great and, with the volunteers, are an inspiration for us all."

Offers of sponsorship can be made via the funding webpage: [mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/debbieward2](http://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/debbieward2).



■ DEBBIE Ward will run the London Marathon

## Outdoor instructors off to train in France



■ Kingston Maurward's Professional Outdoor Instructor students

STUDENTS from Kingston Maurward College are off to France to gain hands-on experience working as outdoor instructors.

The students from the Professional Outdoor Instructor (POI) course will be in the south of France from this week to spend the summer as outdoor instructors.

Working for activity centres, the students will be based in Segries, in the Ardèche region, while completing their Level 3 Outdoor Qualification.

While some students

will spend the summer teaching sailing on the Mediterranean, others will coach canoeing on three-day trips down the Ardèche river.

Student Sharne Tucker said: "I'm nervous and excited about going to work in France for the summer.

"Though the POI course has been hard work I've really enjoyed it and I'm really up for the challenge of working in another country.

"I can't believe the course is going to be over so soon and in a week I'll be instructing

canoeing on the Ardèche! It's the dream job really."

Professional Outdoor Instructor course manager, John Purse, said: "This has been another successful year for the Professional Outdoor Instructor course and all the students have been offered work placements as instructors, mostly in France and some in the UK.

"It's the culmination of 24 weeks of hard work and dedication at college that has given them the skills and experience to get such sort after jobs in the

outdoor industry. The students have all excelled themselves, and we are really proud of them."

During the one year course, along with working towards a Level 3 in Outdoor Learning, the students have also qualified as Level 1 BCU canoe and kayak coaches, 3-star canoe and sea kayakers, white water safety and rescuers, seamanship dinghy sailors, ropes course instructors, lowland walking leaders and first aiders.

## Team GB water polo coach to train Dorchester's players

THE CREAM of Dorchester's young water polo talent are being given the opportunity to experience some of the best coaching available with the first ever elite water polo day camp.

James Baker is one of the UK's leading water polo coaches and he will be taking the squad of specially selected players through their paces this Wednesday, April 8th.

Dorchester has one of the best and thriving water polo clubs in the south west with club member Harry Wheeler making the national squad and with three county players gaining gold in the Under 12 county championships. A girl's section has been developed at the club which is going on from strength to strength.

Harry Wheeler's mum, Tanya Wheeler, and 1610 water polo coach and duty manager at Dorchester sports centre, Andrea Dabbs, have been in-

strumental in developing the interest in the sport in Dorchester.

Andrea says that the water polo day camp for the 12-15 years age group will present a unique opportunity for local youngsters to develop their skills further:

"James Baker is the Under 17 water polo coach for Great Britain, so who better to have to inspire our club members?"

"He will be teaching the players about technique and tactics and there will be a competition in the pool where players can put into practice what they have learnt on the day.

"Following the investment of a bigger pool at the sports centre, water polo is really thriving as a result.

"It is such a great team sport to be part of and specialist day camps such as this will help the club to go on to further success and to encourage more young people to get involved in the sport."

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# Dukes' new premises launched at antiques valuation morning



■ DUKES' new offices are now open for business

LONG established Dorchester auctioneers, Dukes, have moved into their new offices next to the Brewery Square development.

The building was previously used by the county council but was released by the authority in a review of its properties.

Said Amy Brenan, a valuer at Duke's: "We can now offer private rooms for valuations, fantastic exhibition spaces and gallery-stan-

dard lighting as well as easy access to the building with over 80 car parking spaces. We are within a stone's throw of Dorchester South station so getting to us couldn't be easier."

Duke's has planned a series of specialist valuation mornings in April to promote their new facilities and are encouraging anyone to come along with an item they have been curious about.

"The first valuation morning will focus on

coins, medals and militaria" says new specialist at Duke's Timothy Medhurst.

"This is a buoyant sector of the market - we have seen an increased interest in medals due in part to the recent centenarians of the start of WWI and Winston Churchill's death. Medals and coins are small, easily transportable items, both of which either tell the story of a specific person or tell us about an exact

date and moment in social history, making them particularly valuable assets."

The valuation morning will take place this Friday, April 10th, between 9.30am and 12.30pm.

"A local gentleman recently visited our new salerooms for a routine valuation and consigned an impressive collection of medals all from the Dorsetshire Regiment.

"There are up to 50 groups in the collection including two MM's, Military Medals awarded for acts of bravery. The entire collection is estimated to be worth up to £10,000."

On April 17th, jewellery valuer Amy Brennan will be hosting a jewellery, silver and watch valuation morning.

"Again, jewellery is also performing exceptionally well at auction at the moment," says Amy, "particularly for jewellery designed with a specific period in mind for example, Art Deco, or high quality natural

coloured stones like sapphires and rubies."

Jewellery already for inclusion in the specialist sale in June include a natural sapphire and diamond cocktail ring.

Amy said, "This ring is set with the most amazing intense blue sapphire, exactly the colour which is so desirable to buyers today. It was brought in to us by a lady during a previous valuation morning who had no idea of its importance; it should make in excess of £3,000."

The valuation mornings will run from 9.30am - 12.30pm. No appointment is necessary.



■ SAPPHIRE and diamond cocktail ring

## Counting the days to combined fire service

DORSET and Wiltshire & Swindon Fire Authorities today start the one year countdown to their combination after successfully securing the support of the public, constituent authorities and the Secretary of State.

The new Dorset and Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Authority officially came into being in shadow status on April 1st and will replace the two existing Authorities on April 1st 2016.

This combination is the first of its kind in the fire sector and will help to secure the future and development of both Dorset and Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Services as well as the continued safety of the public in the two counties.

Darran Gunter has been appointed as the Chief Fire Officer of the new service from April 2016 and, as designate for the next year, he will continue to work closely with Wiltshire's Chief Fire Officer Simon Routh-Jones and the chairmen of the two authorities to build a strong, safe and sustainable fire and rescue service.

Cllr Rebecca Knox, chairman of Dorset Fire Authority and Cllr Chris Devine, chairman of Wiltshire & Swindon Fire Authority, said: "This combination comes after extensive development, research and consultation with politicians, members of the public and our members of

staff. We would like to thank everyone who took part in the consultation over the last year, which showed overwhelming support for the combination as an option for us to reduce our costs during these times of austerity whilst maintaining a professional service.

"The combination will make substantial savings of between £4-6 million per year, which will help us to protect frontline services as much as possible and continue to develop the services we provide to the community in the most efficient way. The combination will allow the two authorities to come together to build a safe, strong and resilient combined Fire & Rescue Service fit for the future."

CFO designate, Darran Gunter added: "I am very proud to have been appointed as the Chief Fire Officer for the future combined Service and look forward to working with the two authorities, our staff and our community to shape the structure, direction and priorities of the Dorset and Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service. As we come together over the next year, we will be focused on ensuring we maintain our emergency service that is responsive to the local risks and needs and in continuing to protect the people living in, working in and travelling through our two counties."

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# Action stations for Capt Lock at Poundbury Great Field

RESIDENTS have complained for several years about both litter and dog mess they find on Poundbury's Great Field.

Up until this past year they say not much has been done.

That was before Captain John Lock (rtd) moved there from Frampton.

Being an ex-Naval officer, he was hugely disappointed with the rubbish and mess he found when walking his own dog. So it was a case of 'Action Stations' once again, but on a lesser scale than the Falklands war he had participated in during the '80s.

Every morning he sets out on a patrol, collecting rubbish on a one man litter pick. And again, if the wind has died down, he'll more often than not repeat the job in the early evening, finding plastic bottles, drinks cans, sweet wrappers, McDonald's coffee cups, even discarded clothing.

He also finds a good deal of litter blowing across the field from the various building sites.

More recently he was instrumental in getting approval and support for the installation of a 'dog station with bag dispenser' from the town council and the Duchy, on whose land it is and is now positioned.



**DORCHESTER** Stop the Drop treasurer Felicity McLaren presenting Captain Lock with a professional litter picker, bag hoop and litter bags

Captain Lock says he "despairs at seeing litter strewn over this lovely area as well as the litter becoming more noticeable on roadside verges throughout large

areas in Dorset."

He believes those responsible show a disregard for the environment and obviously don't care about anyone else.

## 24-hr Muckathon by college students



STUDENTS from a previous Muckathon

STUDENTS at Kingston Maurward College will be embarking on a 24-hour muck-spreading marathon next week.

The second-year agriculture students will be working on a 24-hectare site owned by the

college to raise money for the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance.

Local agricultural firms are loaning most of the equipment for the marathon, which starts on April 16th.

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# Children flock to Borough Gardens to find treats left by the Easter bunny

UP TO A HUNDRED flocked to Dorchester Borough Gardens on Easter Saturday – hunting for chocolate eggs.

Children of all ages, helped by friends and family, joined in the egg-citing challenge, organised by the Dorchester Family Church, having to find golf tees hidden in the grass – which they then exchanged for chocolate eggs.

"We've done very well to attract so many on a weekend when there is lots of other things on," said one of the church leaders, Gary Fry.



FAMILIES taking part in the egg hunt on Easter Saturday



CHURCH leader Gary Fry explains how the hunt works

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## Strolling on through Poundbury



**DORCHESTER STROLLERS** met at the Brownsword Hall for one of their latest walks, visiting garden plots throughout Poundbury and the garden of The Quiet Space.

The Strollers are an accredited Walking for Health Group walking every Monday morning and Tuesday afternoon, offering a slow walk of up

to three quarters of an hour and a faster walk of an hour.

A teasshop is always visited at the end of the walk for those who want to.

Programmes can be obtained from Dorchester Tourist Information Centre or by ringing 01305 263759.



# DCH looking for new volunteer welcomers

DORSET County Hospital is looking for enthusiastic individuals who would be willing to spare a couple of hours a week to make a difference to patients.

The hospital and Macmillan Cancer Support have formed a partnership to improve experiences for patients receiving care in the hospital.

Research shows that more needs to be done to support patients arriving for surgery.

Izzy Pochin, Macmil-

lan Patient Experience Facilitator, said: "Having surgery is a difficult time for people. They can be highly anxious and feel stressed by the prospect of having to arrive at the hospital for 7am."

It is thought that volunteers could help reduce patients' anxieties by welcoming them as they come into the hospital and guiding them to the Surgical Admissions Lounge.

Izzy said: "This would be ideal for those indi-

viduals who like to make the most of the mornings. Maybe they've been through surgery themselves and identify with how our patients are feeling.

"The hospital is committed to creating the best possible patient experience and we would love to hear from anyone who feels they could support us in this."

For more information please contact Izzy on (01305) 254521 or emailizzy.pochin@dchft.nhs.uk

## Workshop on diet, obesity and diabetes

The Dorset Health and Wellbeing Board is holding a workshop at County Hall next week to gather views and feedback on healthy eating, with a focus on the impacts of obesity and diabetes.

The workshop takes place on Tuesday, April 14th from 2pm to 4.30pm.

It will look at what services are provided in the county to support those with obesity and diabetes and their carers; talk about whether these services and support make a difference and explore ways of promoting healthier eating habits.

Information from the day will contribute to a report which will be presented to the Health and Wellbeing Board on Wednesday, June 10th.

Representatives of statutory, community and voluntary sector organisations have been invited to the meeting. Organisers say they would also welcome individual service users and/or carers, as well as representatives of organisations.

Further details are available from Ann Harris, Dorset County Council Adult and Community Services via email a.p.harris@dorsetcc.gov.uk, or phone (01305) 224388.

## Hospital radio needs new recruits



**SOME of the presenters at Ridgeway Radio – new recruits are needed**

SUNDAY afternoon volunteer presenters are needed by the County Hospital-based Ridgeway Radio team.

Jim Davis, Director of Programmes said: "We are looking for between two and four young people to join the Ridgeway Radio Team as presenters on Sunday afternoons. For nearly two years the programmes between 10am and 7pm on Sundays have been presented by young people."

The shows available include a 'Weekly Review' broadcast live between 2pm and 5pm which takes the form of a young person's view on current news, TV and films, interspersed with music.

The show is currently being presented by a young man who is leaving in August to take up a BBC Engineering Apprenticeship which he has gained as a result of his experience with

Ridgeway Radio.

The other show is broadcast from 5pm to 7pm and is 'The Guitar Show', an hour of blues-type music and an hour of Classical Music all featuring the guitar with the current presenter, Jacob, who is leaving to devote time to important exams.

The radio station is keen to recruit one or two young people about 15/16 years of age for each programme.

All shows are broadcast live to patients at Dorset County Hospital.

Those interested should apply by e-mail or letter telling the hospital radio team about themselves, their interests and hobbies and aspirations.

Contact Jim Davis, Director of Programmes, Ridgeway Radio, The Studio, Level 2, Dorset County Hospital, Dorchester, DT1 2JY or email heather.foster1@btinternet.com.

## News in brief...

**HUSTING QUESTIONS:** This Thursday, April 9th, is the last day to submit questions for a free hustings event with all five West Dorset parliamentary candidates at the Thomas Hardy School on April 15th.

The event will be held in the school theatre at 7.30pm with tickets available from the school reception.

West Dorset residents can also submit questions by email to dorsetbbw@gmail.com.

**WELDMAR HOSPIECECARE TRUST** will be the beneficiaries of a charity bingo session at the Corn Exchange this Thursday, April 9th. Doors open at 6.30pm with the session starting at 7.30pm. Refreshments available.

**BRIDE VALLEY BAND** will be presenting an Easter Concert in Lodars Village Hall this Friday, April 10th from 7.30pm.

They will be performing their original songs inspired by the Bride Valley, West Dorset and life in general.

All profits from the evening go to support the work of Home-Start West Dorset whose volunteers work with young West Dorset families.

Tickets cost £7 including tea/coffee and cake.

Contact (01305) 265072 or email office@homestartwestdorset.co.uk.

**EARLY SAXONS IN DORSET** is the subject of a talk at the Dorset County Museum this Friday, April 10th at 7.30pm.

Dr James Gerrard of Newcastle University will be the guest speaker.

Admission to the event is free although a £3 donation is encouraged to cover costs.

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## News in brief...

■ **'BIG BREAKFAST' AND TABLE TOP SALE** takes place in Frampton Village Hall this Saturday, April 11th.

Breakfast will be available from 10am until 2pm with a range of stall available, including bric a brac, jumble, books, toys, games, DVDs and CDs and a 50-50 sale of larger items which can be collected, by arrangement, by calling (01300) 320200.

Profits from the event will go towards the running costs of the hall.

Recent improvements to the hall include the fitting of solar panels and a new six-hot-plate stove.

■ **STRATTON'S ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN** of the church and churchyard takes place this Saturday morning, April 11th from 10am. Volunteers who can spare an hour, or two, will be very welcome. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available.

■ **OPEN CROQUET AFTERNOON** will be held at Kingston Maurward to promote the sport and let local people give it a try.

The event will be this Sunday, April 12th from 2pm to 4pm at the college.

The croquet club is also offering a course for beginners starting on Saturday, April 18th.

The summer programme includes club mornings and afternoons, fun days and competitive matches.

Further information is available from Ian on (01305) 753566.

■ **CRAFTS AND HOMEMADE ITEMS** will be on sale at Crossways Village Hall this Sunday, April 12th from 11am until 4pm to raise money for Moors Activity Day Care. The event will include cakes and toys with refreshments available.

## Horsing around in pyjamas

CUSTOMERS at Dorchester's popular café, Horse with the Red Umbrella, dug deep for Autism Wessex when staff donned their nightwear for the day in aid of the charity.

"Our customers were very generous and entered into the spirit of the day, once they'd got over seeing me in my PJs," said owner John Fiori who has been running the business for more than a decade with wife, Franca.

"And, as usual, our fantastic staff rose to the occasion," he added.



■ **JOHN and Franca Fiori and staff raising money for Autism Wessex**

## Masons give £1,300 to hospital

DORSET County Hospital has benefitted from a £1,300 gift from local freemasons.

The Chesil Lodge, based on Portland, raised the money when Andrea Pering, the wife of their top man, Ray Pering, wanted to thank the hospital for the care she received.

When Ray became Master of Chesil Lodge he nominated the Fortuneswell Cancer Trust as his charity of the year.

The Dorchester couple said they wanted to give something back to the team who had cared so well for Andrea during her hospital stay. "I simply couldn't fault any of the staff, nor the treatment," says Ray Pering.

"Any local person who is suffering from cancer

know they will receive care at Dorchester that is second to none. The Fortuneswell Cancer Trust, which supports local patients in hospital and which does such a tip top job."

The Chesil Lodge of Freemasons, based in Victoria Square at Portland, raised £1,300 from various raffles and events during Ray Pering's term of office as Master.

Dr David Evans comments: "This is a very generous and welcome donation. The bill has just arrived for the new isolation suite funded by the Fortuneswell Cancer Trust, so the timing could not be better. This project will enable more patients to be treated locally, rather than being transferred elsewhere when seriously ill."

## News in brief...

■ **DT GREEN SPACES COFFEE MORNING** will take place on Sunday, April 12th from 10am to 12noon at 55 James Road.

The DT Green Spaces group sprung up originally to fight plans to build on the Thomas Hardy School playing field, resulting in developers withdrawing their original application. Donations of cakes welcomed.

■ **TUPPERWARE BITS PARTY:** The chance to replace lost bits of Tupperware is being offered at an event at Age UK, Dorchester on Tuesday, April 14th.

The 'Tupperware Party' in the Roger Thomas Room comes about after discovering that many people hang on to their old Tupperware in the hope of finding missing bits.

Tea and biscuits will be available during the event which opens at 11.30am and continues until 1pm.

■ **IMPROVE DRIVING SKILLS FOR FREE:** The first free lecture for drivers who want to improve their skills start in Dorchester.

The Dorset Group of Advanced Motorists is offering the talks on three consecutive Wednesdays, April 15th, 22nd and 29th in Committee Room 1, County Hall, Dorchester at 6.45pm for about two hours. They are provided by a former police Class 1 Driving Instructor.

Further information can be obtained from Jane Percy either on (01305) 820963 or by email to secretary@dorsetiam.org.uk.

■ **BROADMAYNE FIRST SCHOOL** is holding a quiz night on Friday, April 17th April and a car boot sale on Saturday 18th.

The events have been organised by FAB, the Friends at Broadmayne, a group of dedicated parent fundraisers.

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## History of Portland museum

DAVID Carter will speak about the history of Portland Museum to a meeting of the Dorchester Association at the County Museum this Friday, April 17th.

Portland Museum was originally founded in 1882 at Chiswell and was re-founded, in 1930, by Dr Marie Stopes, the birth-control pioneer. She was married to one of the AVRO (aircraft) brothers, was related to the Barnes Wallis, who tested bouncing bombs in the Fleet, and was a friend of Thomas Hardy.

The museum building at Wakeham, dating from 1640, inspired Avice's home in Hardy's 'The Well beloved'.

The Association's last meeting of the current season will be on Friday, May 15th when Selwyn Williams will talk about 'The Treasure of the Golden Grape', a ship with pieces of eight, gold doubloons, precious plate and a loaf of silver wrecked on Chesil Beach in 1645.

The doors will open at 7pm for refreshments in the museum café with the talk at 7.30pm.

## Good news for history buffs

HISTORY buffs and family tree enthusiasts can access more information from a new, free online catalogue.

The directory has been launched by the Dorset History Centre. It contains over 250,000 items, searchable at the click of a button including documents, maps, plans and photographs the earliest of which date back over 1000 years. Records are continually being updated by staff.

Researchers can delve into a treasure trove of material that includes original manuscripts, photographs and maps relating to the history of people and places across Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole.

Visit the catalogue at [www.dorsetforyou.com/dorsethistorycentre/catalogue](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/dorsethistorycentre/catalogue).

Many of the most popular items are also viewable online via Ancestry.com.

## Cecil Waller lecture at museum



■ Oil on Canvas 'Threshing, Burt's Farm', Minchington 1965 by Cecil Waller

A LECTURE at the County Museum this Thursday, April 9th, will look at the life and landscape of artist Cecil Waller.

In his lecture on Cecil Waller, which is one of the events related to the John Craxton Exhibition, Brian Davis will be giving an account of Cecil Waller's career as a portraitist and landscapist.

He will reflect on how perfectly good artists can come to be ignored or side-lined, what motiva-

tions and pressures influenced the art world in Waller's lifetime (1908-1992) and what influences public taste and decides an artist's reputation.

Brian Davis studied English at Cambridge and taught the subject in schools for the first half of his working life and later studied History of Art at the Courtauld Institute.

In the second half of his career he lectured in literature and the

history of art. He has been Occasional Lecturer for the Tate and National Portrait Galleries, Visiting Professor to the University of Colorado and lecturer for the Adult Education departments of Cambridge, Bath and East Anglia Universities.

The Brian Davis talk takes place at 7.00pm for 7.30pm on Thursday 9th. The event is free of charge but a donation of £3 is encouraged to cover costs.

## News in brief...

■ CAME DOWN GOLF CLUB is holding an open weekend on April 18th and 19th from 10am to 3pm.

The club, which boasts being the home of the Ryder Cup, is offering a taster coaching session and the opportunity to view the course. Special joining offers will also be available on both days.

■ A MAH JONG WORKSHOP is being held in Dorchester's St John Ambulance hall this weekend.

Tutor Stephen Frost will teach the basics of the game to beginners and be on hand to help those who have played before with hints and tips.

The cost for the Saturday, April 18th session is £12.50 including refreshments on arrival and in the afternoon. Please bring your own lunch. All profits will be donated to St John Ambulance.

Another event is being held May 23rd - also from 10am until 4pm.

For more details and to book a place ring Dorchester (01305) 814329 or 268316, or mobile 07968 380 257.

■ FAMILY CHURCH MOVES: After 12 years of meeting in Dorchester's Corn Exchange the town's Family Church will be moving to the Thomas Hardy School for its Sunday services from this weekend.

The church has been active in the town for 20 years and has decided on the move after an increase in the number of people attending its services, now averaging around 120 people.



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# New way to report your lost items to the police

DORSET police have reviewed the way in which lost property is reported.

A new service, which started on April 6th will be implemented to make reporting lost property quicker and more efficient.

Report My Loss ([www.reportmy-loss.com](http://www.reportmy-loss.com)) is a website which allows the public to report lost property quickly and easily without the need to telephone or visit a local police station.

The information provided in any loss report is viewable by police forces nationally.

Members of the public reporting lost property will be asked to complete an online form. A lost property reference number will then be issued for use when making an insurance claim.

The Report My Loss system was originally developed in 2008. Avon and Somerset were the first force to adopt it and have since improved their service to the public while improving the repatriation of lost property.

Head of Contact Management, Superintendent Caroline Naughton said: "Currently Dorset Police receive around 43 calls per day in relation to lost property, which takes up valuable time that Force Command Centre staff could be using to respond to other 101 and 999 calls.

"The implementation of Report My Loss will reduce the number of lost

property calls into the Force Command Centre and improve call waiting times for the 101 service.

"In some areas cost to use Report My Loss is £3.95, but in Dorset we have decided to subsidise this service, making any reports of property lost in Dorset free."

The benefits of using the Report My Loss system are:

- More efficient reporting
- Improved accuracy
- Reports are searchable nationwide rather than being isolated to station or force-specific systems
- Call operators are able to answer more 101 calls
- Recovered property is more easily identifiable and returned to people.
- Loss report numbers are independently verifiable by insurers enabling more efficient claims processes

Serial-numbered items reported lost are prevented from sale at responsible traders nationwide.

Chief Operating Officer of Recipro Ltd, Les Gray, who operates the Report My Loss site, said: "The process consistently delivers measurable savings, while improving services and recovery rates for members of the public that have lost items of property."

You can log in at any time to Report My Loss to record or update lost property reports. If the item is recovered, the appropriate authorities will contact you.

## Charity takes on Dorset's bulky waste collections

A CHARITY that helps families on modest incomes find furniture and electrical goods has been chosen to provide Dorset councils' bulky waste collection service.

The Dorset Waste Partnership (DWP), which consists of seven councils, has awarded the contract for its bulky household waste reuse and recycling service to Dorset Reclaim.

From now on, people in Dorset who are unable to take big household items like sofas, beds and fridges to their local recycling centre will be able to book a collection with Dorset Reclaim.

The new, not-for-profit service will cost £30 for a single item and £6 for each subsequent item. However, if items are in good condition and can be reused, they may be collected for free.

Dorset Reclaim will then find new homes for the items by making them available to the community. The mainly volunteer-based charity, which already provides a similar service in Poole, aims to reuse or recycle at least 65% of everything it collects.

Bill Davidson, DWP head of strategy, said: "The new service will provide social benefits by helping families in need as well as the volunteers who Dorset Reclaim supports to get back into work."

Ray Tovey, Dorset Reclaim project manager, said: "This new partnership will allow us to extend our reuse services across Dorset.

"We hope to provide more opportunities for our volunteers and a friendly, efficient service for Dorset households who need items removed. The charity will really benefit from this."

Residents can book a bulky waste collection by calling Dorset Reclaim on 01202 679350 or emailing [bulkyservice@dorsetreclaim.org.uk](mailto:bulkyservice@dorsetreclaim.org.uk)

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PLAYERS at last year's Morrisons v Sainsbury's match at The Avenue

## Supermarket charity derby

TWO teams of supermarket footballers from Weymouth are poised to kick-off for charity.

Sainsbury's and Morrisons will meet at Dorchester FC's home, The Avenue, on Sunday, April 19th. Gates open at 3pm with the match starting at 5.15pm.

Pre-match attractions include a bouncy castle, hot food provided by Davis Catering Ltd, live performance from local musician James Baker, face painting and a performance by the Odyssey Majorettes.

There will also be football skills and drills session and a penalty shootout competition for children to take part in while people can have a go at a charity raffle which various businesses in and around Weymouth and Dorchester have kindly donated prizes for. A small Teddy Bear Raffle will also be held throughout the match in club's bar.

Tickets cost £3 which includes a raffle number and people can pay on the gate as well as in advance. Both supermarkets will be donating prizes.

Each supermarket will be raising money for their chosen charities, the Friends of Wyvern, and Weldmar Hospicecare Trust, and are hoping as many people as possible will come along and support the match.

Tickets are available from Morrisons and Sainsbury's stores in Weymouth.

Any businesses wishing to donate for the event can contact Matt Kelly at Morrisons Supermarket, Weymouth or Chris Raza and Peter Brown at Sainsbury's Weymouth.

More information and updates can be found on the Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/sainsburysmorrisonscharityfooty](http://www.facebook.com/sainsburysmorrisonscharityfooty).

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# Glorious Gardens

## Give your garden a rural touch

*Ever wondered how to give your garden a real rural touch? Award-winning designer Dan Pearson may be able to help*

*By Hannah Stephenson, Press Association*

AFTER an 11-year absence, Pearson will be returning to work his magic at his sixth RHS Chelsea Flower Show by creating a garden inspired by Chatsworth in Derbyshire, focusing on the the more rural part of the estate.

His Laurent-Perrier Chatsworth Garden will represent a small part of the 105-acre garden, inspired by the park's ornamental trout stream and Paxton's rockery, depicting an ornamental woodland animated by a naturalistic water feature.

All this sounds rather elaborate for an amateur gardener with a small plot, but Pearson says there are elements of it you can try in your own garden to give it a more rural feel.

"We often use water in small gardens to try to deflect surrounding noises that might be beyond the boundaries of the garden, like traffic, neighbours or pedestrians. Water is a good thing in urban gardens where you have a lot of background noise.

"In an urban garden with limited space, you might in-

roduce water by having a little pool with a pump and water falling over a rock into the pool. That can be done in just a square metre."

Pearson is using colour quite freely in his woodland garden at Chelsea and is something he recommends to gardeners whose plot may be overhung by trees or oversized shrubs.

"You may have a predominance of green which can be contrasted with bright splashes of flower, but the flowers all have very small blooms even though they are bright."

Pearson will be combining tangerine orange candelabra primulas, *P. bulleyana*, which grow in wet conditions, with *P. pulverulenta*, a cerise pink type with a silvery reverse.

"Don't be afraid of clashing colours when you have enough weight of green elsewhere."

The garden will also have large elements, including rocks from Chatsworth, which are being juxtaposed with small, delicate flowers to achieve an effective change in scale.

"In a smaller space, it's always good not to be afraid

of using large things like a simple piece of topiary, contrasted with plants with small flowers alongside it. Play with that change of scale. It allows you to inject a sense of confidence, like putting a lovely big sofa in the room, then just using a small print or motif on it which stops the piece being too weighty.

"The sort of plants you'd use alongside a simple piece of topiary would stop it from feeling too heavy. We're using things you can see through like umbellifers, not cow parsley but angelica and *Ligusticum scoticum* (Scotch lovage), which is like a miniature angelica, and some delicate grasses like *Melica altissima* 'Alba', which has tiny silvery flowers which make things shimmer and pick up the breeze."

Woodland planting which is easy to replicate includes evergreen ground covers.

"In shady settings and woodland gardens, often in the summer when things die down, you're just left with bare earth. When bulbs which have done well in the spring die out, so we use evergreen ground cover to support that space which otherwise ends up being something and nothing in the height of summer."

Pearson has used *Tellima grandiflora* with sedges and wild strawberries which will scramble about in the shade.

If you only have a patio garden, a piece of topiary might make a focal point, with wild strawberries in smaller pots alongside.

"You can also use blueberries in combination with wild strawberries for an edible pot. In our garden we don't have blueberries but we do have enkianthus, which are a close relative and also have a really good autumn colour."

Pearson's Chelsea garden features baby oak, field maple (*Acer campestre*), hawthorn, the Japanese snow-bell tree (*Styrax japonicus*) - but if you are thinking of growing a tree in a small plot, choose one which will match the size of your space, he urges.

"There's nothing worse than having to prune a tree that gets too big or even to have to cut it down."

Save your leaves to make leafmould and mulch your new, naturalistic space every year, he advises. Growing ground cover plants will also protect the soil and keep it moist over the summer.

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If you have sown broad beans under glass, you should be able to plant out the seedlings now and at the same time sow more seeds directly into the ground as broad beans are among the few vegetables that will germinate in cold soil. Ideally, plant them in rich soil which is free-draining, hoe regularly to keep the weeds down and only water if the weather turns dry. You'll need to stake tall varieties, securing string between the posts. Pinch off the top 10cm (4in) of stem when the first beans start to form to ensure an earlier harvest. And don't let the pods get too big or the beans will be tough. Good longpod varieties include Masterpiece Longpod, while Green Windsor, a Windsor variety, has shorter, really flavoursome pods.

### BEST OF THE BUNCH

#### Polyanthus

Go into any garden centre at this time of year and the spring flower section will be awash with polyanthus in all the colours of the rainbow, from deep purple to red, orange, yellow and white. They are a stalwart of containers, hanging baskets and window boxes, paired with zingy dwarf narcissi, heathers, skimmia and ivy. The polyanthus is the cousin of the wild primrose and should ideally be planted in the autumn for a spring display, although they are cheap enough to buy now to add colour to your containers. For a really vivid colour, check out the Crescendo Series, particularly its vivid red. Polyanthus like a sunny spot but will tolerate some shade and should be planted in reasonably fertile, moist but well-drained soil.

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# Glorious Gardens

## Spring bulbs that haven't appeared this year, including tulips and crocuses, the culprits? Grey squirrels

By Hannah Stephenson,  
Press Association

While non-gardeners may delight at the sight of these cute-looking mammals, gardeners despair of them. They steal food from bird tables, dig up bulbs and corms, seem to be able to get through the most impenetrable 'squirrel-proof' bird feeders and eat copious amounts of peanuts and seeds intended for our feathered friends.

Squirrels will also destroy birds' nests to dine on eggs and fledglings as well as stripping bark off healthy trees for the sweet sap beneath.

The grey squirrel was introduced to Great Britain in the mid-19th century and now boasts an estimated population of 2 million, making them much more common than the native red squirrel. They out-compete the native reds for food, feeding more at ground level and being able to digest acorns, which the reds can't. They also carry a deadly pox virus which does not affect them.

So, what can we do? Gardening writer Anne Wareham, creator of blog and website

thinkinGardens and owner of Veddw House Garden in Monmouthshire, Wales, offers some humorous insights in her new book, *Outwitting Squirrels*, inspired by Bill Alder's original edition.

Squirrels are indeed formidable opponents - they are persistent, with great learning skills and fantastic memories, says Wareham.

"It's said (I haven't investigated squirrels' brains in detail myself) that the hippocampus bit of their brain grows by as much as 15 per cent in the autumn when they are nut burying. This is the sort of effect learning 'the knowledge' has on the brain of a taxi driver, although I imagine that with the taxi driver, it's less seasonal," she reflects.

Users report great success with the 'baffle', a plastic dome that fits on to the pole you hang your feeders on, protecting it from the route the squirrel will usually take up the pole to the seed.

However, while the squirrels which climb up the pole may well be defeated by the dome, those that choose to leap from a nearby bush, fence or other elevation may find more success as they land on the top of the feeder, Wareham notes.

It's wise, anyway, to grease your feeder pole but you'll have to do it regularly throughout the year to keep the squirrels at bay.

I personally think that the best way to protect bulbs in pots is to cut out a piece of chicken wire to fit snugly around the top of the pot, just below the compost and out of view.

You can go further in beds and borders, pegging the wire down on the soil surface, but it is all pretty time-consuming.

Other well-known repellents include chicken manure, cayenne pepper and moth balls. However, these are not guaranteed to keep persistent squirrels at bay.

"An imaginative manufacturer has added chilli to bird food on the assumption that squirrels won't eat it. Remember when you didn't like vindaloo? You learned to like it; squirrels will learn to like it. It will then become their favourite," Wareham warns.

It might be worth planting your bulbs early to give them a good chance of establishing a strong root system to make them harder to dig up, and perhaps go for bulbs that aren't the squirrels' favourite, such as daffodils and alliums. But, as Wareham says, their palates can adapt to what's available.

Barriers, such as fruit cages, can prevent damage to some plants, but make sure they're strong because squirrels can chew through plastic and thinner mesh wire.

Ultimately, you may have to turn your squirrel prevention methods into entertainment,

Wareham suggests.

"You can create enormous obstacle courses that they will happily learn to navigate at breakneck speed. The trick is to introduce a new obstacle, wait for the squirrel to learn it and then add the next."



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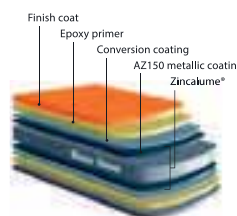
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## £250 a month for groups working with the elderly

BLUEBIRD Care Dorset is offering £250 each month for groups that work with older people in the county.

Chris Scriven, Co-Director of Bluebird Care Dorset said: "As well as a range of ongoing sponsorship arrangements aimed at benefitting the local community, over the course of time Bluebird Care Dorset has also been able to make contributions for one off events or to offer other ad hoc support to local services.

"Across the county, there are many highly meritorious services providing support for vulnerable people through befriending services, lunch clubs, 'Good Neighbour' schemes and many comparable initiatives. Too often, though, such projects can struggle to raise the funds needed to continue their good work. The Bluebird Care Dorset Community Grant scheme is intended to reach out to them with

an accessible source of revenue in order to ease this pressure."

The grant can be accessed through completing the simple form available to download from the Bluebird Care Dorset website ([www.bluebird-care.co.uk/Our-Dorset-Offices](http://www.bluebird-care.co.uk/Our-Dorset-Offices)), following the link to the local office and then clicking on the 'Community' page.

Alternatively, a copy can be obtained from the local Bluebird Care office. Applications are currently invited, with a closing date of the final day of April with the grant to be awarded in May.

Bluebird Care Dorset has been providing care at home services in Dorset since November 2011. Currently the county-wide service provides care visits to over 200 people from the company's four offices in Weymouth, Dorchester, Wareham and Ferndown.

## New act will make life easier for those in care

The biggest change in adult social care for 60 years, the Care Act, came into force on April 1st, bringing big changes to the way people can plan and pay for their care and support.

The Care Act will mean clearer financial arrangements, better information and advice, improved support for carers and greater choice of services. A key new responsibility is to focus on individuals' health and wellbeing and to provide better advice and information. The Act will also give people more control of the decisions about their care.

The Act aims to help people stay healthy and live in their own homes for as long as possible. It includes changes to assessment, eligibility, care planning and support for carers. Catherine Driscoll, the council's

director for adult and community services, said: "We welcome this major reform, and are ready for the changes the Act will bring.

"The new legislation will benefit residents who require care and support, and also their carers, who will have more rights and better access to help and support.

"People will also know how much it will cost to meet needs and how much the council will contribute towards the cost. There will be more control over how that money is spent. It will also be easier for people to plan how they pay for their care and support during their retirement."

Some of the major changes include:

- deferred payments – people may

be able to arrange with the council to defer payment for permanent residential care until they sell their home or upon their death. This means people should no longer have to sell their homes during their lifetime to pay for this care

- support for carers – for the first time, carers will now have a right to support in their own right. They may be eligible for a personal budget to pay for things such as a short break or support groups

- national minimum eligibility criteria – the government has set a national minimum eligibility criteria for care and support which means people will get the same access to support wherever they live.

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## 'Thank you' breakfast for volunteers



■ ENJOYING Volunteer Centre Dorset's tribute breakfast

MORE than 60 representatives from business and charitable organisations from Weymouth, Portland and Dorchester have attended a special 'thank-you' breakfast.

The event was staged by the Volunteer Centre Dorset in gratitude for all the support it had received for its Community Credit Scheme.

The scheme was set up in 2013 to support people with learning difficulties to help them volunteer with an organisation such as Oxfam, Dorset Wildlife Trust or Osprey Leisure Centre.

VCD project co-ordinator Siobhan Davis said: "Since it

started we have had 170 people with learning difficulties who we have been able to help with 50 volunteer bodies or mentors.

"It would be impossible to thank everyone individually, so we decided to hold this special breakfast so we could thank everyone all in one go. It also gave us a chance to show the abilities of those we're helping."

Attendees heard details of various success stories from volunteers pursuing a career in horticulture to others working in hospices or healthcare.

Siobhan said: "It really gave everyone helping this project an insight into the rewards it can

create for people.

"We are funded until 2016 but we are already applying for Lottery cash to extend this working period even further.

"Volunteers do the work unpaid but get credit notes which can be exchanged for leisure and wellbeing activities such as swimming, the cinema and tea and coffee at various venues which helps to build up social inclusion."

Anyone who would like to get involved with the scheme can contact Siobhan on (01305) 269214, mobile: 07918 639 014 or email [s.davis@volunteering-dorset.org.uk](mailto:s.davis@volunteering-dorset.org.uk).

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**DORSET singers mingle with in the 17,000-strong Rock Choir**

VOICES from Dorchester, Weymouth and Portland sang out when Rock Choir entertained a sell-out crowd at Wembley Stadium.

The hallowed grounds resonated with the sound of nearly 2,500 Rock Choir members singing at Saturday's rugby game, which drew a world record attendance of 84,068 supporters to see Saracens play Harlequins at the Derby Day match.

The mass choir was led by local Rock Choir leader Stacey Hobday. The excited singers lined up on the edge of the turf to perform two chart songs as part of the pre-match entertainment, and surprised the supporters with a half time flash mob performance of Clean Bandit's 'Rather Be'.

"The members really did themselves proud at Wembley this Saturday," said Stacey. "The record-breaking audience and every choir member seemed to thoroughly enjoy the performance. I'm so grateful to everyone involved, it was an amazing experience."

Rock Choir is the UK's largest and most popular contemporary choir, with 17,000 members in over 300 local communities nationwide. Rock Choir rehearsals take place in towns across the UK.

The choir offers adults and teenagers the chance to sing and perform popular contemporary songs, with no auditions and no requirements to read music or have any previous singing experience.

## Remembering the 150 who went down with the Alexander in 1815

MEMBERS of The Shipwreck Project have held a commemoration in Weymouth to mark the 200th anniversary of the Alexander foundering on Chesil Beach on March 27th, 1815.

The event was held at All Saints Church, Wyke Regis, where members were joined by the Rev Deb Smith.

The Alexander, an East India 'Country' ship, had left Bombay on October 15th, 1814, to take advantage of the north easterly winter monsoon winds blowing from the Indian coast. Many of the passengers were either of army or East India Company families.

She called in at Cochin, India, to pick up more passengers and probably further cargo such as the gum Benjamin, a balsamic resin. Five cases of gum Benjamin, together with bags of coffee beans, bales of cotton and pipes of Madeira wine were later recovered from the wreck.

Of the crew and passengers, only four lascars and one Persian, possibly a female, survived. More than 150 people drowned and bodies subsequently washed up were

buried in local church cemeteries such as at Wyke, Portland and even as far away as Lyme Regis.

The red and white flowers for the commemoration were chosen to represent the red and white stripes depicted on the East India Company flag, a flag that some say was the basis of the later American stars and stripes flag.

An elephant tusk was recovered from a shipwreck site off Chesil Beach opposite Wyke Regis. It is one of many tusks that have been recovered over quite a wide area of the seabed suggesting they have been either trawled or moved about in storms. East India Company ships are often recorded as carrying ivory.

The memorial, on the north west wall of Wyke church was erected by Charles Forbes and the other un-named owner of the Alexander.

John Forbes had formed the Indian cotton trading company of Forbes & Co in 1767 soon diversifying into ship brokerage, ship building and eventually into banking and in 1813 was instrumental in breaking the monopoly of English-built East India Com-



**AT THE commemoration are, from the left, Grahame Knott, Selwyn Williams, Paul Smith and Richard Bright-Paul who found the tusk last year**

pany ships trading between India and England.

A spokesman for the Project said: "The ethos of The Shipwreck Project is to locate, identify and bring maritime history to the surface with

sonar and photography". As such The Shipwreck Project will again be exploring this and other wreck sites to confirm identification and to tell their story, that being the real treasure of all wrecks."

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# National Pet Month 2015

National Pet Month 2015 1st April - 4th May  
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## A dog is for life, and for good

By Abi Jackson, Press Association

WE OFTEN refer to dogs as being part of the family, but that statement doesn't fully do them justice - not only are they part of the family, they're a unique, unwaveringly wonderful, part of the family.

Always happy to see you, there with a reassuring wag when you need it, they never judge or answer back, and somehow just being near them can lift the spirits.

The power of man's (and woman's) best friend to boost our mood and general wellbeing should not be underestimated, and they can be a lifeline for people experiencing serious depression - an illness currently in the spotlight following Robin Williams' recent tragic death.

"The research evidence is pretty clear that pets in general, and in particular dogs, seem to work in a number of ways to be helpful to human health," says Samaritans trustee Steve Platt. "One is their actual involvement in therapeutic activity, whether that's helping children with autism or people with dementia. They also seem very sensitive to ill health in others and can help alert in situations like epileptic seizures or even cancer, being able to detect them at an early stage. And there have been many examples where dogs help people with depression, and the elderly. They can have a profound effect."

### HEARTWARMING TAILS

This profound effect is at the heart of new book, *My Dog, My Friend: Heart-Warming Tales Of Canine Companionship From Celebrities And Other Extraordinary People*.

In it, a number of people, including some high-profile names, share personal tales about the roles their beloved pooches have played in their lives.

TV chef Antony Worrall Thompson writes: "It is well documented that in 2012 I had what can only be described as a mental breakdown. During that time I was grateful for the support of my family. And classed as family are my two faithful dogs..."

Walking them was a much-needed source of "strength and solace", he reveals.

Esther Rantzen talks about the joy and comfort a string of cherished mutts have brought her family over the years, from perking her up after a stressful day at work to helping them all through the dark days of grief following the death of her husband, Desmond, in 2000.

Also featured is Nanette Mutrie, professor of physical activity for health at the University of Edinburgh, who is a firm believer in the power of exercise for keeping us well, inside and out - but that doesn't have to mean pricey gym memberships and gruelling triathlons, regular dog-walking will work wonders too.

The brilliance of dogs doesn't end there either. This book - supported by Samaritans with all author donations being donated to the charity - is also a reminder that owning a pooch can make a difference to your all-important social life too.

"Dogs are a fantastic aid for socialisation," says Platt, who has written the book's foreword. "They encourage people to get out, and they also attract attention and help you get into conversation with others. For some people, taking their dog for a walk and having a brief chat with a fellow dog-walker might be the only interaction they have."

"They help structure the day, too. We all need structure and one of the problems that arises for people who are lonely, or living in isolation, is the collapse of structure which can have severe consequences. A dog can help provide that structure, in terms of feeding times and walking times."

### NO DISCRIMINATOR

Robin Williams had a history of depression and his suicide, in August of last year, is a reminder that mental illness really can impact anybody, and indeed it does, affecting around one in four people in the UK alone, with anxiety and depression the most common form.

"Not everyone with a mental illness will kill themselves," points out Platt, "but there is an elevated risk."

This risk can be as high as 15% for people with more severe forms of depression and bipolar disorder, but in the majority of cases, people who take their own lives will have had undiagnosed mental illness, or would have received inadequate treatment.

While this is obviously sad, it does also reassure us that treatments can be extremely effective - if they're given in time.

"But we've got to identify problems and then engage that person with treatment, that's the challenge," notes Platt.

Another challenge is raising awareness of mental health both within the health services and in the general public.

## Top Ten Tips for Responsible Pet Ownership

1. **THINK** carefully before getting a pet and learn about its special requirements.
2. **ENSURE** your pet is sociable and well trained.
3. **PROVIDE** a nutritious and well balanced diet.
4. **PROVIDE** suitable housing and bedding.
5. **CLEAN UP** after your pet and worm it regularly.
6. **PROTECT** against disease. Your vet can provide you with advice.
7. **PREVENT** unwanted litters and neuter your pet when appropriate.
8. **GROOM** your pet regularly.
9. **CONTROL** your pet and ensure it is properly identified.
10. **TAKE OUT** pet insurance for dogs, cats, rabbits and horses to cover against unexpected veterinary fees and third party liability.

## National Pet Month in a Nutshell

### WHEN?

From 1 April - 4 May 2015, you are invited to be a part of National Pet Month. Thousands of people up and down the UK will be celebrating life with their pets, spreading the word on responsible pet ownership or raising money for their favourite charity in fun-filled events. Why not be a part of this?

### WHAT?

Each year the responsible pet ownership message is conveyed by running the events under a central theme. Our 2015 theme is "Pets and the elderly: enjoying later years together".

### WHO?

National Pet Month is a registered charity, unique in bringing together animal welfare charities, professional bodies, pet businesses, schools, youth groups and pet lovers, with the common goal of improving the welfare of pets. The trustees are National Office of Animal Health (NOAH) and Pet Food Manufacturers' Association (PFMA).

### HOW?

Run an event - check out our Event Advice here and claim your Events Pack  
Join our online communities, National Pet Month, Park Bench and Scratching Post.  
Support us financially - calling all those pet loving businesses we're looking for both sponsors and supporters  
Check out our 'What's on' map to see what's happening in your area.



## National Pet Month's aims are to

- Promote responsible pet ownership
- Make people aware of the mutual benefits of living with pets
- Increase public awareness of the role of pet care specialists
- Raise awareness of the value of working and assistance companion animals

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But now, young Michael, Time to bid a fond adieu, As you are found venturing to pastures new; The roar of greasepaint, the smell of the crowd Has tempted you, yet with another talent you've been endowed. Will we hear - "A horse, a horse, an injection for this horse"? Or - "Two bees or not two bees - that is the infection"? A latent thespian (Filthy beast!), all this time - We should have guessed - How you love those pantomimes; P'raps it was all that makeup that gave you a thrill? Will we see you yet in vaudeville? (Note:- Tiny, Alf and Sooper Dooper Cooper think you're the REAL trooper).



"So, Dear Michael, feathers or fur? Four legs or two? Pets and 'parents' alike send TONS of love And Good Luck to you." Jaq xxxxx





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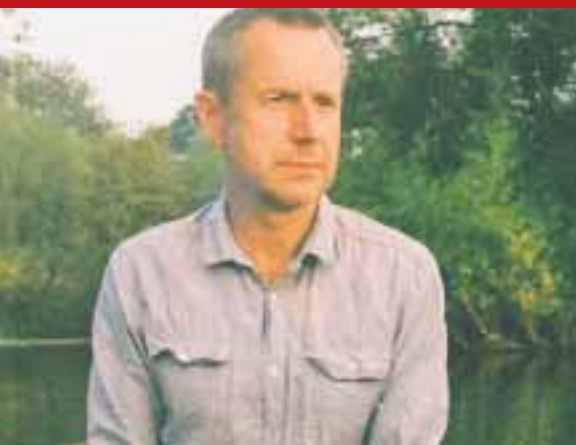
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## LONG LIVE SANTANA!

Top tribute to Latin rock  
legends at the Marine Theatre

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### HARDY'S ONE MAN SHOW

Jeremy Hardy comes to Dorchester *see page 23*



### PRICE IS RIGHT

Matt Price headlines Comedy Café *see page 25*



### ZIGGY PLAYS GUITAR AT THE GATEWAY

Absolute Bowie bring their tribute to Seaton *see page 25*



# TRANSMISSION

*Your guide to local live music*

## upcoming gigs

**Friday 10 April**  
Arts Centre, DORCHESTER  
**Gypsy Hill**  
Doors 7.30pm. £10/£8

**Saturday 11 April**  
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**Goliath** 9.30pm

Marine Theatre, LYME REGIS  
**Viva Santana**  
Doors 7.15pm. £13.50/£11.50  
Re-loved Vintage & Tea Rooms/Bistro, 2 Cornhill, DORCHESTER  
**Bernardo playing Vintage Guitar**  
7pm. Free entry, booking advised - 01305 257070.

Arts Centre, DORCHESTER  
**DA Blues: Dino Baptiste and Natasha Buxton**  
Doors 7.30pm. £13/£6.50 adv, £14/£7 door.

**Sunday 12 April**  
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**Amy Mayes** 4-6pm  
Arts Centre, DORCHESTER  
**Sarah McQuaid**  
Doors 7pm. £9/£7

**Thursday 16 April**  
Electric Palace, BRIDPORT  
**Ferocious Dog**  
Doors 7pm.  
£10+bf adv/ £12 door  
Dorset County Museum, DORCHESTER  
**Bernardo plays Russian and Spanish guitar with a 200**

**year old Louis Panormo guitar**  
1-2pm. Free entry  
£10+bf adv/ £12 door

**Saturday 18 April**  
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**K2** 9.30pm

Re-loved Vintage & Tea Rooms/Bistro, 2 Cornhill, DORCHESTER  
**Bernardo playing Vintage Guitar**  
7pm. Free entry, booking advised - 01305 257070.

**Sunday 19 April**  
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**Cadenza** 4-6pm  
Durnovaria Wine Bar, South St., DORCHESTER  
**Bernardo playing Continental Guitar**  
3-5pm.

**Saturday 25 April**  
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**Mama Feelgood**  
9.30pm

Re-loved Vintage & Tea Rooms/Bistro, 2 Cornhill, DORCHESTER  
**Bernardo playing Vintage Guitar**  
7pm. Free entry, booking advised - 01305 257070.  
Nag's Head, LYME REGIS  
**Katz**  
**Sunday 19 April**  
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**Cadenza** 4-6pm

## BILLY BRAGG MAKES RETURN TO TOLPUDDLE MARTYRS' FESTIVAL

ORGANISED by the South West TUC, the event runs from July 17th to 19th in Dorset, with Bragg sharing the main stage on Sunday afternoon with 2-Tone legends The Beat, folk singers Seth Lakeman and Naomi Bedford, along with socialist R & B favourites Thee Faccion.

Speakers on the Sunday include TUC general secretary Frances O'Grady, TUC president Leslie Manasseh, Angela Eagle MP and Unite assistant general secretary Steve Turner.

Jonny and The Baptists, Dana Immanuel and Irish punks Neck play in the marquee on Saturday night, with all-female indie band The Tuts, Chris T-T and the Hoodrats and Curtls Eller's American Circus performing on Friday night.

Organiser Nigel Costley said: "With the General Election in the balance, we're keeping our power dry over the debates but, whoever's in power come May, we'll have our usual range of top class speakers, discussing issues relevant to working people.

"We're encouraging people to check our website for up-to-date information about the speakers as and when we add them."

The event remembers the six farmworkers who, in 1834, were transported to Australia after forming a trade union to campaign for a pay rise.

\*Tickets for the Festival go on sale on April 1st. Rally Day is free, with a weekend camping pass costing £45 for adults and £5 for children.

More details from [www.tolpuddlemartyrs.org.uk](http://www.tolpuddlemartyrs.org.uk)

## Tribute to Latin rock legends

## VIVA SANTANA RETURN TO THE MARINE THEATRE

RETURNING to the Marine, the phenomenal seven-piece Latin rock explosion Viva Santana continues to amaze fans wherever they present their celebration of the music of the legendary Carlos Santana. Over the past eleven years they have played to full houses as diverse as the pres-

tigious London Guitar Show Wembley to theatres and rock festivals in the UK, Europe and even Cuba; soloist Marcos Rodriguez' performance was described as "a musical bridge between Cuba and Spain". After seeing Rodriguez, an astonished fan said "When they made Carlos Santana someone forgot to break the mould!"

It's all there, from the powerful four piece rhythm section (congas, timbales, drums and bass) giving the band it's heartbeat of traditional and

modern Latin rhythms, to the infectious Cuban piano and haunting Hammond organ wizardry of a truly gifted keyboard maestro.

Viva Santana perform at the Marine Theatre on Saturday, April 11th at 8pm (doors open 7.15pm).

Tickets are priced at £13.50 (full) and £11.50 (concessions) available from the website at [www.marinetheatre.com](http://www.marinetheatre.com) or by calling 01297 442138.

A TheatreFriends discount is available.



Viva Santana

## New music and entertainment event

## 'OUT LOUD' FESTIVAL COMES TO WEYMOUTH

THE WEYMOUTH BID are delighted to announce that they will be working with the Lions Club of Weymouth & Portland to promote a weekend of music and entertainment in Weymouth on Saturday, 27th and Sunday 28th June.

This new event financed and supported by the Weymouth BID will be called the "Out Loud Festival". The Out Loud Festival will be charity event and will feature many acts from around Weymouth, including bands, choirs, dancers, clowns and many more at locations all around the town centre, including Bond Street, St. Thomas St. and St Mary St.

There will be something for everybody and the intention is that, if successful, it will become an annual Weymouth event that will attract both residents and visitors into the town centre before the peak summer season starts in July.

Lions Club President, Norman Stagles said; "Weymouth & Portland Lions Club currently organise a range of events including the annual Beach Motocross Weekend, the Christmas Day Harbour Swim and an annual free Christmas Show at the Pavilion for senior citizens. We are absolutely delighted to have the opportunity to organise another charity event for the town. With the financial support of the Weymouth BID we have every intention of turning the town into a place of

music and fun for a whole weekend, and then make the Out Loud Festival into an annual event. We hope that local entertainers will give up a little of their time to perform and help us to raise some money for good causes while entertaining people in the town centre while they shop."

Nigel Reed, Manager of Weymouth BID said "The Out Loud Festival will give businesses an opportunity to build promotions and offers around the event to encourage more visitors to spend in the town and enjoy the Festival. One of the BID's business objectives is to drive more visitors into the town during the shoulder season months and the Out Loud Festival ticks all the boxes."

Any bands, acts, performers etc interested in having the opportunity to join in with the fun, for free and participate in this great event should please contact the organisers on [raybanham62@gmail.com](mailto:raybanham62@gmail.com), through our facebook page, or phone 07788 792114, giving their contact details and availability between 10am and 4pm on the two days.

All other enquiries to the Weymouth BID office on telephone 01305 779410 or email [info@weymouthbid.co.uk](mailto:info@weymouthbid.co.uk).

All information will be available on [www.WeAreWeymouth.co.uk](http://www.WeAreWeymouth.co.uk) and on [www.weymouthlionsclub.co.uk/](http://www.weymouthlionsclub.co.uk/)

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### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 11th April  
**GROUVECAT**

Saturday 18th April  
**A NIGHT WITH THE LIONS**

Sunday 19th April  
**DARTS ACROSS THE ATLANTIC**

Saturday 25th April  
**KATZ**

[www.nagsheadlymeregis.co.uk](http://www.nagsheadlymeregis.co.uk)



## This week's new cinema



Keanu Reeves in John Wick

### JOHN WICK 15

AN EX-HITMAN comes out of retirement to track down the gangsters that took everything from him.

Stars Keanu Reeves, Michael Nyqvist and Alfie Allen.

### GOOD KILL 15

A FAMILY man begins to question the ethics of his job as a drone pilot.

Stars January Jones, Zoë Kravitz and Ethan Hawke.

### WOMAN IN GOLD 12A

MARIA Altmann, an octogenarian Jewish refugee, takes on the government to recover artwork she believes rightfully belongs to her family.

Stars Helen Mirren, Ryan Reynolds and Daniel Brühl



Hot Tub Time Machine 2

### HOT TUB TIME MACHINE 2 15

WHEN Lou finds himself in trouble, Nick and Jacob fire up the hot tub time machine in an attempt to get back to the past. But they inadvertently land in the future with Adam Jr. Now they have to alter the future in order to save the past - which is really the present.

Stars Rob Corddry, Craig Robinson and Clark Duke.

### LOST RIVER 15

A SINGLE mother is swept into a dark underworld, while her teenage son discovers a road that leads him to a secret underwater town.

Stars Ben Mendelsohn, Christina Hendricks and Saoirse Ronan.

## Cinema Listings

Friday, Apr 10th - Thurs, Apr 16th

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Mon-Wed: 17.30, Thu: 16.35  
**Fast & Furious 7** <sup>12A</sup>  
Fri-Wed: 20.00, Thu: 16.35  
**Mr Turner** <sup>12A</sup>  
Thu: 10.30am  
**National Theatre Live: The Hard Problem** <sup>12A</sup> Thu: 18.45

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Contact cinemas or visit the websites for up-to-date listings

**BRIDPORT ARTS CENTRE**  
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## For One Night Only with Encore Theatre

BRIDPORT'S multi award winning Encore Theatre Club are back in Bridport Arts Centre "For One Night Only!" this May.

On Friday, May 8th actors from Encore will be performing two works and raising money towards future productions in the process. The event is a celebration of over 20 years of Bridports biggest theatre club, and is a must for theatre fans.

First on the stage will be the premier of a one act play 'Cabbages and Windmills'. This is a brand new work by Lorraine Parnell, a member of Storytraders, a local creative writing group. Set in 1996 the play tells the story of an outwardly normal family spending a weekend at a converted windmill in Norfolk. However, not everything is as it seems - and the audience is kept guessing till the final twist in the tale.

After a break for refreshments the company will return for a rehearsed reading of Louis de Bernieres short "play for voices". "Sunday morning at the Centre of the World" is set in Earlsfield, London, but gives more than a nod to "Under Milk Wood" and was inspired by the award winning writers' time living in south London before finding fame and fortune with Captain Corelli's Mandolin. Peopled by a wonderful mix of characters, both living and dead, the play is a tour de force that takes us to the heart and community and its spirit.

Tickets are £10, which includes a glass of wine. The doors open at 7.30 for an 8pm start and there will be the, now famous, Encore raffle.

Tickets can be purchased from Bridport Arts Centre box office.

## Talk on artist Cecil Waller at Dorset County Museum

IN HIS lecture on Cecil Waller, which is one of the events related to the John Craxton Exhibition, Brian Davis will be giving an account of Cecil Waller's career as a portraitist and landscapist.

Brian will reflect on how perfectly good artists can come to be ignored or side-lined. What motivations and pressures influenced the art world in Waller's lifetime (1908 - 1992) and what influences public taste and decides an artist's reputation.

Brian Davis studied English at Cambridge and taught the subject in schools for the first half of his working life. During that time he was a pupil of the Russian harpist Maria Korchinska and later he studied History of Art at

the Courtauld Institute. In the second half of his career he worked as a professional harpist and as lecturer in literature and the history of art. He has been Occasional Lecturer for the Tate and National Portrait Galleries, Visiting Professor to the University of Colorado and lecturer for the Adult Education departments of Cambridge, Bath and East Anglia Universities.

Brian Davis' talk takes place at 7.30pm on Thursday, April 9th. The event is free of charge but a donation of £3.00 is encouraged to cover costs.

For further information contact the Museum on 01305 756827 or check the website on www.dorsetcountymuseum.org

## Jeremy Hardy at Dorchester Corn Exchange



JEREMY Hardy begins his fourth decade as a stand-up this year. That's a more dramatic way of saying he started 31 years ago and, without a lottery win, probably has at least another 31 years to go.

Last year, the tenth series of Jeremy Hardy Speaks to the Nation was broadcast on Radio 4. He is also well known for his appearances on The News Quiz and I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue. Indeed, Alan Bennett recently said he likes him "but he's only on the radio".

However, Jeremy isn't only on the radio. He is on the road all year round and has never stopped doing live shows since 1984. After briefly hibernating in the winter, he's back out on the road and heading to see us in Dorchester.

Jeremy Hardy comes to Dorchester Corn Exchange on Thursday, May 7th at 8pm. Tickets, £14, are on sale now from www.dorchesterarts.org.uk or call 01305 266926.

## Gather the garlic! Dracula coming to Bridport



BEWARE. Dracula is coming. Keep your windows locked and gather in the garlic!

Bram Stoker's classic tale of the vampire is coming to Bridport on Thursday, April 16th.

Writer Andrew McPherson, director Simon Harvey and outrageously versatile actor David Mynne are bringing a new you a one-man performance of Dracula.

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## View 2 Diary Dates

### WEDNESDAY APRIL 8TH

**DORCHESTER:** Evergreens Cinema showing 'The African Queen' (starring Humphrey Bogart and Katharine Hepburn). Lights dim at 1.45pm, tea and biscuits served during the showing, just £1.50. Everyone welcome, at Age UK Dorchester, Prince of Wales Road. For more details call 01305 269444.

### THURSDAY APRIL 9TH

**BRIDPORT:** Electronic Organ Concert by Ryan Edwards at the United Church Hall, East Street. Admission £8, members £7, visitors welcome. Concert starts at 7.30pm. For more details call 01460 73500.

**CHARMOUTH:** You are invited to a three week course for those interested in finding out about "Inner Peace". Showing short DVDs of Prem Rawat talking and we will be open to discussions afterwards. The meetings will start at 11am and will last about an hour. The dates are April 9th, 16th and 23rd all on Thursday mornings, held in Charmouth Library Cafe, Free entry, all welcome.

**DORCHESTER:** The Thursday Group will meet to hear a Dorset C C Ranger talk on "Thorncombe Wood". Come and hear about what can be seen in "the woods" as well as details of the newly opened Visitor Centre at Higher Bockhampton, near Hardy's Cottage. We start at 2.15pm in St. George's Church Hall, Fordington and the charge of £1 covers a cup of tea/coffee, all welcome.

**DORCHESTER:** Plant Heritage Dorset Group. 'Dahlias'. An illustrated talk by lecturer, photographer, award winning author and journalist Val Bourne, who serves on the RHS floral and Dahlia panels. 7.30 pm in the Conference Room, Kingston Maurward College DT2 8PY. Visitors welcome (£2.50; students £1.00 at door). Details call 01929 481535 and the NCCPG website.

### FRIDAY APRIL 10TH

**LYME REGIS:** U3A meeting. 10am coffee, 11am talk by Jane Brewer BEM. Titled 'Death Ancient Egyptian Style' An overview of the health and nutrition of the people and rituals associated with mummification. Looking at what the elite took to their graves referencing Tutankhamun. At Woodmead Halls. Please call 07802751828 for more details.

### SATURDAY APRIL 11TH

**CHIDEOCK:** 'Tea at the Chideock Ritz'. Afternoon tea with style at the Chideock Village Hall in aid of Weldmar Hospicecare Trust. 3 - 5pm. Tickets £7 available from Guy Mills 01308 489231

**UPLYME:** Ballroom, Latin and some Sequence dancing at Uplyme Village Hall. Entry £4.50 per person in aid of hall funds. 8-10.30pm. For more details call 01297 442439

### SUNDAY APRIL 12TH

**NORTH CHIDEOCK:** Marshwood Vale Young Farmers Club Annual Ploughing Match from 9.30am-2pm, at Silver Bridge Farm (DT6 6LF). For more details call 07780 951501 or 01308 868015.

**TOLLER PORCUM:** Join Hedgerow Harvest for a day of seasonal wild food foraging gathering the ingredients for a three course lunch. See [www.hedgerow-harvest.com](http://www.hedgerow-harvest.com) for more details and to book places.

**CROSSWAYS, DORCHESTER:** Fundraising Craft, Home-made Fayre and Mini Market at Crossways Village Hall, 11am-4pm. Crafts, homemade gifts, raffle, cakes, hot drinks and snacks, and lots more. For more details call 07886 004236.

### MONDAY APRIL 13TH

**BEAMINSTER:** Dorset Moviola proudly presents 'My Old Lady' (cert 12a) at the Beaminster Public Hall. Doors 7pm, film 7.30pm. Tickets £5 (advance) or £5.50 on the door. Available from Yarn Barton on 01308 862715, Weekdays 9.30-12.30 & Saturdays 9-1pm or ring Carol Dixon on 01308 861378

**EYPE, NEAR BRIDPORT:** Parent + baby/toddler swimming course, 11.30am - 12 noon, at Highland's End Leisure Club, Eype. Have good fun while exercising and bonding in the water, help develop muscles and gain confidence. Details from Penny Yarnold on 07970 879047.

**EYPE, NEAR BRIDPORT:** Aqua fit classes at Highlands End swimming pool, from 10.30am. Get fit and have fun in the water. Details from Penny Yarnold, 07970 879 047.

**SOUTH PERROTT:** Art Class at South Perrott Village Hall, every Monday, 1.15-3.15pm. £10 each. For more details call 01935 891808.

**WEYMOUTH:** Radipole & Southill Horticultural Society invite you to an illustrated talk entitled 'The Japanese Garden at Kingston Lacy - 10 Years On' by the Deputy Head Gardener for the National Trust - Stephen Candy. The meeting will be held at Southill Community Centre, Radipole Lane, Weymouth, doors open at 7.00 for a 7.30 pm start. Members and visitors welcome and further details available from Julie or Peter on 01305 772533.

### TUESDAY APRIL 14TH

**UPLYME:** Uplyme & Lyme Regis Horticultural Society coach trip to National Trust estate of Stourhead, leaving 9.30am. There are still places available, at a cost to National Trust Members of

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## View 2 Diary Dates

£11, non-members £20. The gardens should be in full Spring flower by then, to make a memorable day out. Book with Rob Harvey on 01297 631664, by April 7th please.

**BRIDPORT:** Bridport History Society meet at 2.30pm in Bridport United Church Main Hall, East Street. Speaker will be Stuart Morris who will talk about "The History of Weymouth".

### WEDNESDAY APRIL 15TH

**EYPE:** West Dorset Decorative and Fine Arts Society meeting. The Punch & Judy Show: A subversive symbol from Commedia Dell'Arte to the present day' by Mr Bertie Pearce. At Highlands End Leisure Centre, 2.30pm. For more details call 01297 443615.

**LYME REGIS:** Parents Together group, with crèche provided at The Hub, 9.15am-11.15am. Every Wednesday during term time. £2 per family suggested donation. This week 'Pick your battles/Power struggles'.

### THURSDAY APRIL 16TH

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**DORCHESTER:** Meeting with the South Dorset R.S.P.B. Group at 7.45pm. A short AGM followed by a talk by Toby Branton, RSPB site manager. He will talk on RSPB Reserves in Dorset, where people and wildlife can mix. A roundup of the on-reserve and off-site work going on in Dorset. Members £3.00. Visitors £3.50 to include coffee and biscuits.

### FRIDAY APRIL 17TH

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Bay Photographic Club meeting at Woodmead Halls. Judging of the Cyril Nimo Trophy, Cobb Trophy & Jubilee Cup competitions. 7.30pm-10pm. For more details call 01297 444733

**BROADMAYNE:** Market 2-3.30pm, St Martin's Community Hall, (Next to the Church) Cakes, Preserves, Raffle, Craft, Plants, , Bric-a-brac, books, Jigsaws, Cards, Local Pork, Sausages and Eggs, Local Watercress, Plants from a local Nursery and a chance to sit and chat with a cup of tea or coffee. All proceeds to St Martin's Community Hall. For further information please contact Eleanor Piper 01305 853765.

### SATURDAY APRIL 18TH

**BRIDPORT:** Jumble Sale at Bridport United Church Hall, 10am. Organised by Askerswell. For more details call 01308 485225.

**BEAMINSTER:** The Alauda String Quartet at St. Mary's Church, 3pm. Music by Haydn, Beethoven and Mendelssohn. Promoted by the Friends of Beaminster Festival. Tickets £12 on the door or from the Yarn Barton Centre, Fleet Street, Beaminster or Bridport Music, South Street, Bridport. More details 01308 456297.

**WEYMOUTH:** Sing Sankey with the Weymouth Salvation Army at St Mary's Church, South Street, 7pm

### MONDAY APRIL 20TH

**BURTON BRADSTOCK:** Biodanza at Othona. Express, Connect, Relax! Dance like no one's watching, no steps to learn, no partner needed, uplifting world music and holistic health benefits. For all ages from 19 to 90. £7 each (concs available - just ask). 7.15pm for 7.30pm at Othona Community, Coast Road, DT6 4RN. For more details call 01308 897 130 or visit [biodanza-bridport.co.uk](http://biodanza-bridport.co.uk)

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### WEDNESDAY APRIL 22ND

**UPLYME:** Uplyme & Lyme Regis Horticultural Society talk on British Owls, their natural history and practical conservation by the well known expert Chris Sperring, who will be bringing live owls along to show. At Uplyme Village Hall, 7.30pm. Members attend free, non-members £3 - there will be tea and cakes before and afterwards. For more information on these and our other future events, please see the website, [www.ulrhs.wordpress.com/](http://www.ulrhs.wordpress.com/), or ring 01297 444034.



# Pay the Price for Comedy Café

CORNISH comic Matt Price will be headlining the latest comedy café night at the Bridport Arts Centre this week.

Famed for his lilting westcountry accent and storytelling craftsmanship, Matt Price is a circuit favourite known for his engaging and unique approach to comedy.

A former boxer, skateboarder and co-founder of the Cardiff Comedy Festival and Natural Born Storytellers, Matt has led a varied and fascinating life, which has led to him end up in a number of incredible scenarios, most recently fleeing the Turkish Mafia after a gig with

Tinky Wink went drastically wrong.

Opening the show will be the multi award-winning Harriet Kemsley, one of the most exciting new female comics on the circuit currently making a name for herself with her quirky oddball brand of humour.

Regular compere Tom Glover will be hosting the show as always and the line up will be completed by new acts Craig Leggo and Glenn Burford.

The BAC Comedy Café will be at 8pm this Friday, April 10th. Tickets are £7 adults/£5 concessions and available from the arts centre box office on 01308 424204.



Matt Price

## The hunt's still on for Dino easter eggs!

MAKE tracks to the Dinosaur Museum in Dorchester, for the Great Dinosaur Easter Egg Hunt during April.

This is the Easter Egg Hunt with a difference where children actually explore the Dinosaur Museum to search out and spot the dinosaur eggs and to solve a Dinosaur Mystery. The Great Dinosaur Easter Egg Hunt is on every day every day throughout the Easter school holidays until Sunday, April 19th. Dinosaur Hunters sheets are free to all children.

At Britain's original Dinosaur Museum see an awesome Allosaurus skull, a magnificent Megalosaurus skeleton and meet 'Percy' the life size T Rex and much, much more, including fun and fascinating hands on and interactives, to discover the answers to the clues in the Dinosaur Mystery.

The Dinosaur Museum is great for

families whatever the weather and is open daily from 10am to 5pm. The Great Dinosaur Easter Egg Hunt is the biggest yet spanning all 23 days of the school holidays including all four days of the Easter weekend. All children who solve the Mystery correctly and spot all the dinosaur eggs win a special dinosaur hunter medal and certificate. Plus over the Easter weekend only hundreds of mini eggs will be given away. If its dinosaurs you are after then the Dinosaur Museum in Dorchester is the only place to be whatever the weather.

The Dinosaur Museum is in the centre of Dorchester, the historic county town of Dorset, within easy reach of, and pedestrian signposted from, all main car parks. For further information telephone 01305 269880 or visit the Museum's website at [www.thedinosaurmuseum.com](http://www.thedinosaurmuseum.com)

## Bride Valley Band Easter Concert

ACCLAIMED local group The Bride Valley Band are hopping over the hill from Burton Bradstock to Loders to perform their original songs inspired by the Bride Valley, West Dorset and life!

The band members pride themselves on drawing on their own experience and archive material from the Bride Valley to weave a story of historical and contemporary valley life. The band is proud to have performed their songs at the Sidmouth Folk Festival.

The Bride Valley Band Easter Concert takes place this Friday, April 10th from 7.30-9pm. All profits from the evening go to support the work of Home-Start West Dorset in its invaluable work with young West Dorset families. Tickets £7 inc. tea/coffee and cake

Contact 01305 265072 or email [office@homestartwestdorset.co.uk](mailto:office@homestartwestdorset.co.uk). Find the band on Facebook [www.facebook.com/BrideValleyBand](http://www.facebook.com/BrideValleyBand)

# Top tribute to the Thin White Duke at The Gateway

*Classic tragedy opera double bill and ballet also set to screen at the Seaton venue*

TOP UK tribute act **Absolute Bowie** is earning rave reviews for its dynamic all-live show celebrating the music of David Bowie and is coming to The Gateway Seaton on Saturday, April 18th.

Those who have seen the show in recent weeks describe it as 'memorable', 'brilliant' and 'the best time ever', while Woody Woodmansey, Bowie's legendary drummer, considers it 'the closest thing to the real thing'.

5 piece Absolute Bowie are Europe's finest live 'David Bowie' tribute band perform all the great hits from Bowie's back catalogue with uncanny accuracy. Their energetic stage show goes from A to Z (Absolute Beginners to Ziggy!) with Stations to Station in between.

Doors open 7.30pm Tickets £15.00 available online from website ticket shop of The Gateway Box Office 01297 625699.

The Gateway will screen the Bolshoi Ballet's performance of **Ivan the Terrible** on Sunday, April 19th.

As young Ivan IV is crowned, he has to choose one of the 13 Boyar daughters to be his wife and tsarina. He selects Anastasia, and the two eventually fall deeply in love. When the Boyars plot against him and poison his beloved wife, Tsar Ivan finds himself surrounded by enemies. Haunted by dark thoughts and phantoms, he

slowly sinks into madness. Drawing on the music composed by Prokofiev for the 1944 Eisenstein film, Ivan the Terrible is a work in the true Bolshoi style. Yuri Grigorovich's powerful and fascinating epic dramatises Ivan the Terrible's controversial reign, and portrays events in 16th-century Russia in visually stunning scenes.

Doors open 3.30pm, with performance at 4pm. The screening will last approximately running time 2 hours 30 mins.

Tickets £15 in advance from the Box Office 01297 625699 and from the website ticket shop, or £17.50 on the door.

The Gateway will also stream the Met Opera's productions of Mascagni's **"Cavalleria Rusticana"** and Leoncavallo's **"Pagliacci"** on Saturday, April 25th.

Opera's most enduring tragic double bill returns in an evocative new production from Sir David McVicar (Giulio Cesare, Maria Stuarda, II

Trovatore), who sets the verismo action across two time periods but in the same Sicilian setting. Marcelo Álvarez rises to the challenge of playing the dual tenor roles of Turiddu in *Cavalleria Rusticana* and Canio in *Pagliacci*. Rae Smith (*War Horse*) has designed the moodily atmospheric 1900 village square setting of *Cavalleria Rusticana*, which transforms to a 1948 truck stop for the doomed vaudeville troupe of *Pagliacci*. Eva-Maria Westbroek (Cav) and Patricia

Racette (Pag) play the unlucky heroines. Met Principal Conductor Fabio Luisi is on the podium.

Doors open 5pm, with performance at 5.30pm. Approximate running time 3hrs 30 mins.

Tickets £15 in advance from the Box Office 01297 625699 and from the website ticket shop, or £17.50 on the door.

A licensed bar and refreshments are available at all shows. For more details call 01297 625699 or visit [www.seatongateway.co.uk](http://www.seatongateway.co.uk)



Mascagni's 'Cavalleria Rusticana' and Leoncavallo's 'Pagliacci'



Ivan The Terrible



Absolute Bowie

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Sat 18th April

Doors open 7.30pm

Tickets: £15.00



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**IVAN THE TERRIBLE**

Sun 19th April

Doors open 3.30pm

Performance 4.00pm

Tickets:  
£15.00 in advance  
£17.50 on the door



Met Opera  
**CAVALLERIA RUSTICANA & PAGLIACCI**

Sat 25th April

Doors open 5pm

Performance 5.30pm

Tickets:  
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# Camp Bestival goes wild in 2015!



PROFESSOR GREEN

RETURNING for its eighth annual instalment, Camp Bestival is set to go wild in 2015, with headliners Clean Bandit, Kaiser Chiefs and Underworld.

Chief Wild Thing Rob da Bank says of this year's festival: "I don't know where to start with our typically all encompassing, diverse and pretty wild line-up. Maybe at the end, with electronic mega-dons Underworld revving up for the grand finale on Sunday, all the way back through iconic pop from Alison Moyet, Level 42 and Bob Geldof, young guns Wretch 32, Pro Green and Clean Bandit, plus the hottest

new blood Kate Tempest, Slaves and George The Poet. I'm really hoping there's a lot to discover at Camp Besti 2015. Not forgetting our most requested act every year and a total legend: Mr Tumble!

"As Camp veterans know, music is only one part of the adventure and our incredible creative crew have really pulled it out of the bag with some really wild arts and kids shenanigans from The Train Trip to West End Kids and all the amazing workshops and wild activities to boot. Really hope to see you at our castle by the sea in sunny Lulworth in July!"

Further acts on the line-up include Soul II Soul, Ella Eyre, Cymande, 808 State, The Buzzcocks, The Crazy World of Arthur Brown, Ella Henderson, Camp Bestival favourites DJ Yoda and The Cuban Brothers, plus many more.

## THE HIDEAWAY WELLNESS RETREAT AND SPA

TO BRING you back to centre after all your Lulworth Castle-based activities, Camp Bestival present their new Wellness retreat and spa; The Hideaway.

Dedicated to finding a little slice of inner peace in the middle of Camp Bestival's joyous hullabaloo, The Hideaway's programme of treatments and classes has been carefully curated with friends, and al-fresco spa experts, Wild Wellbeing, with the intention that you emerge from The Hideaway feeling rested and radiant.

Camp Bestival is offering a first class programme of yoga classes, with something for everyone, including acro-yoga, beginners' yoga, family classes, kids' sessions, pregnancy yoga, hot power yoga and restorative yoga. Plus there will be morning and evening meditation sessions. Wild Wellbeing believes that meditation is an invaluable tool that has the ability to heal both body and mind. You will be offered an opportunity to give voluntary donations at all meditation sessions, all of which will go to [www.mind.org.uk](http://www.mind.org.uk).

Indulge yourself and complete the holiday; don't miss out on a Hideaway Restorative Massage from the hand-picked team of professional masseuses. With limited sessions available, you'll need to pre-book early to ensure you can enjoy our exclusive full body massage packages, or you could perhaps try one of the 'stimulating quick fix back rubs' or a plethora of other alternative therapies available.

For a daily dose of pampering, head to the soothing atmosphere of the Transformation Station. Bedecked with long mirrors, hair stations, straighteners, comfortable changing, mobile phone charging facilities and more, this area

will be beautifully kitted out with hand-crafted eco-showers, so you can relish a quick freshen up or a post-treatment relax.

And, if that lot has got you in the mood to commune with nature and boost the endorphins, then why not sign up to one of the amazing Nature Runs? Designed to explore the concept of mindful running, and the connection between ourselves and nature, the runs are suitable for all ages and abilities, led by experts, and are a must for every health conscious and wild family. If you like to be the centre of attention, then signing up for 1:1s in Nature is for you. Following a brief consultation and assessment, you'll experience a personalised hour of fitness coaching in the beautiful countryside surrounding the festival. Expect sweat, laughter and maybe even a few tears!

Or, if unwinding is more your thing, how about booking some blissful, wood-fired hot tub action from Bathing Under The Sky? Camp Bestival will welcome their converted double decker bus and its beautiful hot tubs to the festival for the first time. Because it's Camp Bestival there will be some special family time sessions between 1-3pm. All other sessions are for the grown-ups only to kick back and enjoy a dip in the open air. It is recommended you book early.

Visit [www.bathingunderthesky.com/festivals/camp-bestival-2015](http://www.bathingunderthesky.com/festivals/camp-bestival-2015) to book in advance.

Open all day for early birds and night owls, pop in to The Hideaway at any time to enjoy the restful space in the sunshine, or sit around the campfire at dusk, and feel refreshed.

## THE GREATEST TENT ON EARTH

THE Greatest Tent on Earth will host a variety of shows during Camp Bestival, from the brand new adaptation of Julia Donaldson's brilliant *Scarecrows' Wedding*, and hip-hop's answer to 'Whose Line is it Anyway?' with the Freestyle Funk Forum, to the hugely inspiring Gorilla Gardening and old Camp Bestival fave Marawa the Amazing.

The Greatest Tent on Earth is certainly living up to its name. Add in Albert's Band, Musical Bingo, Gospeloke and Morris Dancers, Blue Coats and the brilliant Insect Circus and you've got a recipe for a properly wild weekend!

## SPINNING UP A TREAT

"CAMP Bestival just isn't Camp B without a big old disco going on day and night," says Rob Da Bank, "and I'm as happy as Mr Tumble's bowtie to unveil the DJ line-up for 2015. Crowned with the double whammy MBE occurrence of Mr David Rodigan and his Ram Jam experience, along with Norman Jay, bringing his Good Times carnival flavour to Camp Besti for the first time, we are truly honoured! Add in legends Terry Hall from *The Specials*, an old-time mate of Camp Bestival's, and DJ Yoda, and all the rest of the gang and it's gonna be knees up mother brown from dawn to dusk! Bosh..."



DAVID RODIGAN MBE

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Rob da Bank says: "Going wild and getting back to nature is something that we're all really passionate about. With loads of technology and modern distractions it's easy to forget just how incredible wildlife is, but seeing the reaction to the small amount of wild activities we put on last year made us realise that going wild really is the best way to go. So this year we've got tons of ace stuff like the National Trust 50 things meadow, a whole world of crazy goings on in the Dingy Dell, Lizzie's Way, giant tree climbing, den building and even loads of exploring outside of the grounds of Lulworth Castle. Not forgetting the headliners and my

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Other wild antics include How to Birdwatch with Bill Oddie, big den build, giant tree climbing, bug hunts and lots more.



STEVE BACKSHALL



MICHAELA STRACHAN

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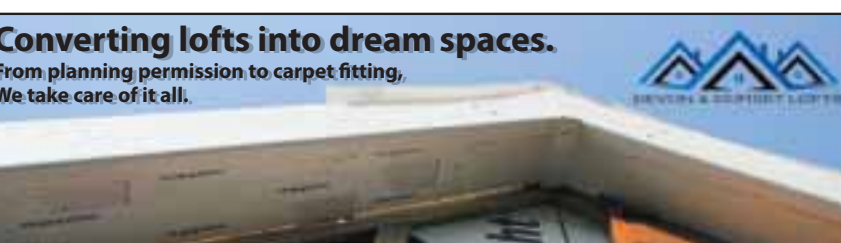
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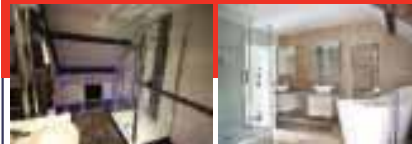
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FORD Motor Company has revealed the all-new Ford Galaxy, which has advanced as a spacious, refined and technology-laden people mover offering luxurious travel for seven passengers.

Featuring the company's latest global design language with a sophisticated grille and slim-line headlamps, the all-new Galaxy offers seven full-size seats, enabling families to easily switch between seating or load space with a segment-first feature that raises third-row seats at the push of a button.

Comfort is enhanced for front seat passengers with massaging Ford Multi-Contour Seats; and for rear seat passengers with integral link rear suspension that offers a smoother, quieter ride.

Galaxy takes the nameplate's signature car-like driving dynamics to a new level with Ford Adaptive Steering technology, which adjusts steering ratio according to speed to optimise manoeuvrability and precision, and Ford's latest fuel-efficient engines, including the powerful new 210PS bi-turbo 2.0-litre TDCi diesel.

"Families across Europe have grown up with the Galaxy. Customers are reassured by its ability to carry seven in first-class comfort and safety, and to constantly surprise with its unmatched versatility," said

Roelant de Waard, vice president, Marketing, Sales

and Service, Ford of Europe. "The all-new Galaxy enhances those qualities with improved dynamics, fuel efficiency and refinement – as well as useful innovations."

Ford literally "revealed" the all-new Galaxy for the first time – on the back of a moving trailer – through an incredible stunt performed with the help of illusionist Darcy Oake

### Flexible for family life

All-new Galaxy makes it easier than ever to maximise space for passengers and luggage. A control panel in the rear luggage compartment enables all five second- and third-row seats to be folded flat at the push of a button. As a segment-first, the panel also can be used to automatically raise the third row seats.

A flat load floor makes it easier to load large or bulky items, and the ability to slide and recline second- and third-row seats individually means seating and loadspace combinations are as easy to tailor to the school run as for trips to the airport. Beneath the boot floor the new Cargo Management System offers 20 litres of hidden storage, and helps to carry taller items.

Passengers can store 1.5-litre drink bottles in door bins, and under-seat storage provides easy access for everything from laptop computers to books or snacks. Further stowage is available in the instrument panel top, and a media storage area for mobile phones and audio devices is incorporated into the centre stack. Parents will appreciate a standard

child-watch mirror, positioned to offer a wide-angle view of the passenger seats.

Second- and third-row passengers also benefit from up to 10mm more headroom than in the outgoing Galaxy and the third-row seat offers more space than key competitors, with up to 40mm more headroom. Elbow and shoulder-room are optimised by retaining the traditional swing-open rear door design. Third-row occupants also can make themselves feel more at home with their own armrest storage bins and cup-holders.

One touch access to the third row is provided with easy-entry second-row seats that tilt and slide forward in a single action, and a recessed floor design that makes getting in and out of the car easier for passengers. A double seal helps the inner panel stay clean and reduces the risk of passengers dirtying their clothes by brushing against the car exterior when getting in or out.

Finding the perfect temperature can now be achieved more quickly with the enhanced heating ventilation and air conditioning that debuted in Europe with the all-new Ford Mondeo. The system provides more airflow, is capable of lower temperatures and is quieter. Rear seat passengers can select their own climate settings with a dedicated climate system and their own controls. The interior is also kept cool in sunny weather with solar-tinted glass that blocks ultraviolet light and heat from the cabin.

"Galaxy has always been a car designed around the needs of seven, and our new model takes this philosophy to even greater heights with every occupant benefiting from outstanding levels of comfort and refinement," said Andrew Kernahan, Ford Galaxy chief programme engineer.



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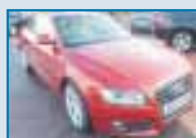
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# Order Books Are Now Open For The New Toyota Avensis

FIRST details of the UK line-up demonstrate how Toyota has raised Avensis's appeal with more distinctive styling, higher levels of sensory quality in a re-worked cabin, improved equipment specifications and a range of efficient Euro 6-compliant engines.

True to its 17-year heritage, new Avensis is British-built, manufactured exclusively at Toyota's Burnaston car plant in Derbyshire. Both saloon and Touring Sports wagon models are available, priced from £17,765. Full series production will be initiated soon, with the first cars being delivered to customers from late June.

## Model range

Avensis adopts a new grade structure which reflects how it has been designed, engineered and equipped to meet the leading requirements of both private and business customers.

The established Active and Excel grades mark the entry point and top of the range. These are joined by new Business Edition and Business Edition Plus versions at the heart of the line-up. Across the board, specifications secure high levels of safety, comfort and convenience, not least with the standard provision of Toyota Safety Sense integrated active safety features on all models (further details below).

Key features of the Active grade include Pre-Crash Safety system, cruise control, air conditioning, six-speaker CD/radio audio, Bluetooth, auto-dimming rear-view mirror, LED rear and daytime running lights and power windows.

Business Edition adds to this strong foundation with the Toyota Touch 2 with Go touch-

screen multimedia and navigation system, digital/DAB audio package with eight-inch display, reversing camera, rain-sensing wipers, dusk-sensing headlights, automatic air conditioning, 17-inch alloy wheels and part-Alcantara seat upholstery. The active safety features extend to Automatic High Beam, Lane Departure Warning and Road Sign Assist.

Business Edition Plus delivers further premium features including leather upholstery with Alcantara inserts, front fog lights with a cornering function, LED headlamps, smart entry and rear privacy glass. The LED daytime running lights gain light guides, creating a distinctive lighting signature.

At the top of the range, Excel grade adopts Toyota Touch 2 with Go Plus, adding more sophisticated navigation functions and access to additional connected services. The specifica-

tion also embraces a 10-speaker audio system, full leather seat upholstery, electrically adjustable front seats with heaters and adaptive headlights that adjust automatically to improve illumination through bends and turns. The Excel Touring Sports gains a panoramic roof.

Customers can choose from 10 colours, with the metallic options including new Havana Brown and Orion Blue shades. Option packs are also available: the Protection Pack (£325) provides mud flaps, scuff plates, boot liner and rear bumper protector (plus additional load space rails for the Touring Sports if required); the Chrome Pack (£250), available for Avensis for the first time, adds chrome side sill and boot/tailgate trim; and the Parking Pack (£495) equips the car with front and rear parking sensors.



▲ New Toyota Avensis: UK Range, Specifications And Prices Announced

# The New Mercedes-Benz C-Class

THE all-new C-Class heralds a new chapter in the Mercedes-Benz success story and sets new standards in the premium medium-size category. Thanks to an intelligent lightweight-design concept boasting weight savings of up to 100 kilograms, excellent aerodynamics and new economical engines, the C-Class establishes new efficiency benchmarks in its segment. A host of new assistance systems offers safety of the highest standard, while a new optional air-sprung suspension provides for exemplary ride and driving comfort as well as nimble and agile handling. In terms of appearance the new C-Class adopts a progressive approach with its clear yet emotional design and its high-class interior. Many other innovations and equipment features underscore the Saloon's energising comfort and refined sportiness. In all, the high-class appeal of the new C-Class feels like an "upgrade to a higher class of vehicle".

The new C-Class offers sensuous and clear design and a host of technical innovations as well as a comprehensive scope of standard equipment and exemplary emissions and fuel consumption figures. This all adds up to substantial added value and long-term savings on motor vehicle tax and at the filling station.

The C-Class has grown to take account of people's increasing average height. With an 80-millimetre increase in the wheelbase (2840 millimetres) compared with the previous model, the vehicle is 95 millimetres longer (4686 millimetres) and 40 millimetres wider (1810 millimetres). The result is a more spacious interior. At 480 litres the new C-Class also surpasses its predecessor in terms of boot capacity (in accordance with ISO 3832).

## Sensuous clarity and purist forms

On a visual level, the new C-Class represents a bold departure from its predecessor. Its striking, dynamic design exudes sensuous clarity and arouses emotions. Modern aesthetics were the source of inspiration for the new Saloon's sensuous lines and surfaces, whose harmony and dynamism directly touch everyone. The designers have created minimalist, purist forms for the C-Class which emphasise its intelligent technology and engineering. The clearly defined surfaces also deliberately display a degree of tension, lending them a modern and at the same time emotional character. Precise lines and sculptural surfaces create progressive light and shadow effects.

In the side view a long bonnet, a passenger compartment set well back and short overhangs define the C-Class's classic, well-balanced Mercedes-Benz Saloon proportions.

There is a choice of two different fronts: sporty with a central star or – reserved solely for the EXCLUSIVE line – the classic Saloon radiator grille with the Mercedes star on the bonnet. This grille can close the louvers completely to optimise the Cd value, and with its over-

all appearance superbly emphasises the status of the refined Saloon.

The new C-Class comes with H7 halogen headlamps as standard. In addition to the standard-fit headlamps, two energy-saving LED variants are available: a static system and a dynamic version with the "LED Intelligent Light System". The characteristic night design lends the new C-Class its very own distinctive look in the dark, too. The rear lamp and brake light in the tail lamps feature LED technology with all headlamp versions.

## High-class interior with fine details

The Mercedes-Benz designers have styled the interior on a level which is rarely encountered even in higher vehicle categories. This applies to the carefully chosen high-class materials and their pleasant touch and feel as well as to the precision of the finely crafted details. But also equally to a new design idiom which perfectly combines sensuousness and clarity with dynamic sportiness, and thus contributes to the high-class appeal of the interior.

The driver and front passenger enjoy a great deal of space and luxury in an unobtrusive, modern style on board the new C-Class. This gives rise to a feel-good atmosphere which is new to this category of vehicle – settling into your seat in the C-Class is akin to the uplifting feeling of being upgraded from economy to business class on an airline.

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## Point-to-Point

### Trueflyingcolours shows clean pair of heels

#### The Avon Vale at Larkhill

TRUEFLYINGCOLOURS took the recent Larkhill's Ladies Open in a very fast time (5m 52s) last week.

The Stuart Penny-trained nine-year-old led over the last three fences under Leanda Tickle after a mile-long duel with market rival Seigneur Des Bois (Ally Stirling).

Connections reported that Trueflyingcolours, now a two-time Larkhill winner since his purchase two years ago, has benefited from the application of cheek-pieces this season.

Bedrock Fred and Hinchleslea Moor both recorded their fourth course successes.

The former led throughout the final circuit of the Men's Open under Danny Burton. Bred, owned and trained by El Tanner and her partner, Dave Weston, Bedrock Fred was making his first appearance since falling at Cottenham on 30 November.

"He damaged his neck at Cottenham, has had treatment to remove sarcoids and we've been waiting for fast ground," summed up El.

Hinchleslea Moor and jockey Daniel Sansom were clear throughout the last mile of the Conditions contest.

The win took the eight-year-old to the head of the current season's Larkhill Best Horse Award standings. "He can handle most surfaces here, as he loves Larkhill so much, but he's gone very well on today's quick surface," felt New Forest owner-trainer James Young.

Charles Whittaker's Chinatown Boy deservedly opened his account under Alice Mills in the Maiden after seven placed efforts in eight outings. Chinatown Boy made all the running and had enough left to hold Darren Edwards' challenge aboard favourite, Crackacac.

Will Hickman retained his 100% - three from three - record for Chievely owner-trainer Tim Underwood aboard Intermediate winner Knowhentofofoldem.

The eight-year-old Irish purchase tracked rivals Baily Bridge and What About Will for much of the contest, but only grabbed the lead when the latter swerved on the flat after jumping the last in a clear lead.

Wak A Turtle turned the Restricted into a procession under Jamie Thomas. "He won his Maiden here in February and is ideally suited to short sharp tracks," felt trainer Kayley Woollocott. Stratford's May Subaru Restricted Final is on the cards.

James McNeile, 55, achieved his first competitive win aboard the Laura Thomas-trained Qianshan Leader in the Hunt race after two previous walkovers in the same contest.

The 11-year-old disputed with the favourite, Mohawk Warrior, for much of the contest before striding clear over the last four fences.

#### RESULTS

##### Hunt Members (3 ran)

1. Qianshan Leader (J McNeile, 6-4); 2. Lidjo De Rouge (Miss C Hawker, 7-4); only two finished. 6min 21s. ¾l. (Laura Thomas).

##### Open Maiden (6 ran)

1. Chinatown Boy (Miss A Mills, 7-4); 2. Crackacan (D Edwards, 4-7F); 3. Don't Doittome (J Hepburn, 6-1). 6min 00s. Nk, 20l. (Charles Whittaker).

##### Mens Open (3 ran)

1. Bedrock Fred (D Burton, 4-7F); 2. Peyekashe (S Cobden, 7-4); 3. Dandooley (D Edwards, 8-1). 6min 12s. ¾l, 20l. (David Weston).

##### Ladies Open (6 ran)

1. Trueflyingcolours (Miss L Tickle, 7-4F); 2. Seigneur Des Bois (Miss A Stirling, 3-1); 3. Dalmio (Miss P Fuller, 16-1). 5min 52s. 2½l, 25l. (Stuart Penny).

##### Restricted (4 ran)

1. Wak A Turtle (Jamie Thomas, 1-2F); 2. Cottstown Gold (D Burton, 9-2); 3. Golden Squirell (Robert Hawker, 5-2). 6min 13s. 15l, Hd. (Kayley Woollocott).

##### Intermediate (3 ran)

1. Knowhentofofoldem (W Hickman, 4-6F); 2. What About Will (Miss V Wade, 6-4); only two finished. 6min 04s. ½l. (Tim Underwood).

##### WAPS Club Members (4 ran)

1. Hinchleslea Moor (D Sansom, 2-5F); 2. Flanshan (Miss P Skipper, 6-1); 3. Skating Home (D Burton, 20-1). 5min 56s. 5l, 20l. (James Young).

## Dorset Football news

### Balti House extend lead

#### Senior League

THE Balti House moved twelve points clear in pole position following their 2-0 success at Gillingham but they have now concluded their League programme so they will now have to wait and see if either Chickerell United or Holt United can over take them.

Holt United stay in the top three after their odd goal in seven win against their hosts Corfe Mullen United with their strikes coming from Mike Haskell with a brace and one each from James Wilson and Sonny Wilkinson while netting for Corfe were Mike Corbett with two and one for Jack McGhan.

South Cheriton United moved up a place to fourth after they defeated their hosts Blandford United Reserves 2-1.

Sturminster Newton United shared two goals and the points with their visitors Piddletrenthide Spartans with the Sturminster goal coming from a second half penalty conversion by Stuart Frear.

#### Division One

Westland Sports Reserves stay in the top three following their 4-3 success against their visitors Poundbury Rovers, with their strikes coming from Michael Rousell and Jamie Green both netted a brace.

#### Division Two

Milborne Port maintained their four point lead following their 4-0 success at Wareham.

Gillingham Town A stay in second place after their 5-1 victory at Corfe Castle with the hosts consolation goal coming from Matthew Suttle. Broadstone and Piddlehinton United played out a goal less draw.

#### Division Three

Wool & Winfrith kept their three point lead in pole position after their 5-0 victory against their visitors Stickland United with their strikes coming from Matthew McKewon with a hat trick and one each for Michael Collins and Sean Lovelless.

Tisbury stay in second place after their 3-0 success against their visitors Handley Sports with their goals coming from Harry Stevens, Damian Creese and Richard Chapman.

Third place Mere Town Reserves beat their visitors Sturminster Newton United Reserves 4-0 with their markdmen being Lee Christopher with a brace and one each for Keith Torrance and Gavin Parfitt.

Puddletown moved up into the top half of the League with an odd goal in three win against their visitors Maiden Newton & Cattistock with their goals coming from Kevin Rogers and Mastt Rimmer.

#### Division Five

The only game played was at Okeford where their Reserves drew 4-4 with their visitors Wool & Winfrith Reserves with their strikes coming from Mark Doble, Chris Cole, Lee Bell and Tristan Brown

#### Division Four & Five League Cup Section A

Portland Town A moved into pole position following their 8-1 win against their visitors Corfe Mullen United reserves with their strikes coming from Alex Counter with five, Shane Maguire with a brace and one for Robert Evans.

#### Section B

Donhead moved up into second place after their single goal success against their visitors Owermoigne with their goal coming from an own goal.

#### Section C

A goal by Richard Beasley gave Kangaroos Reserves the win against their visitors AFC Blandford Reserves

#### Section D

After four games South Cheriton Reserves have a 100% record following their 9-1 success against their visitors United Club Of Poundbury with their marksmen being Dan Dicks with a hat trick, a brace for Thomas Cuff and Jordan Skirton and one each for Iwan Waters and an own goal.

Marnhull and Broadstone Reserves drew 2-2 with the hosts goals coming from Chris Eaton and Nick grimes while netting for Broadstone were Rob Clarke and Sam Clemmence

## Weymouth & Portland Rugby

### Weymouth boys bounce back

#### Lychett Minster U13s 0 Weymouth & Portland 43

WEYMOUTH & Portland Under 13s travelled to Lychett Minster to attempt to regain the momentum they had built up prior to their County Plate defeat the previous week.

Fielding a slightly changed configuration due to sickness and squad rotation the Weymouth boys were off to a fast start, as Frankie Read fielded the hosts' kick-off and charged back up the right wing to score. The conversion was missed.

The game then settled down as both sides probed away at each other's defences until

Stevie Love caught an attempted

clearance midway in the Lychett half, and seeing their defence compressed ran around them to score his first try of the season under the posts.

The try was duly converted by Jaden Claridge and the rest of the first half was won by the defences, as despite a good deal of pressure, neither side could break the other down.

In the second half, Weymouth pressure began to take its toll though, and with them camped in the Lychett 22, Henry Bell wrong footed the defence to create a gap and offload to Lucas Bywater to dive over for his first try this season.

Immediately following the con-

version by Rob Hunter, Read scored his second from Lychett's kick off with another charging run which he converted himself.

The Weymouth defence was tested a few times after this, but held firm with the best chance actually falling to Claridge who, playing in the centre for Lychett due to an injury to one of their players was brought down just short of the line.

Despite of the resulting Lychett pressure, Weymouth held them out and cleared their lines.

In the final 10 minutes of the match Ned Bennett linked well with Rafe Owen on the left wing to get on the outside of the defence, and then stepped inside the

rushing full back to score and then convert his try.

Then in the final minutes he made another break, and with three players inside him, this time stepped outside the defender to just make the line to complete a good solid performance from Weymouth.

In addition to Claridge helping Lychett out, both Bennett and Alfie Honeybun played a half each at number 8 for the home side.

This generosity allowed both teams to play the match at 15-a-side and greatly improved the morning for everyone, in addition to giving them a slightly different perspective on the game from the base of a scrum.



◆ ON THE RUN: A Weymouth player makes a break for it after being set up by his colleagues.  
Photo by CHRIS DAVIS

### Weymouth Boxing Club seek support for new home

WEYMOUTH Boxing Club report that fundraising for their new Community Boxing Club and Sports Hall is going well, but they are appealing to the local community and businesses to help swell the amount they need to match grants they are receiving towards the cost of the project.

President Dave Nelms said: "We are pleased to say that the fundraising for the new facility is going very well, and we have received

support from the Borough and County Councils as well as grant making trusts and local housing associations.

"We have also been advised to apply to Sport England under the Inspired Facilities, and an application will be made this summer.

"Also, the club has a substantial amount of its own funds, and planning for the new build is imminent."

However, he also made an appeal

for the local community and businesses to help raise the remainder of the cash required, and indicated a variety of ways to do this.

"People can buy a brick for the new build at the cost of £2 each, or businesses for £500 or more would be able to have a plaque in the foyer of the new building."

For further details on how you can support this exciting community project please call Dave on 07899 925316.

### Dorset warm-up for exciting new season

DORSET County Cricket Club has already started preparation for an exciting and busy new cricket season with friendly matches against Dorset Leopards last Saturday at Dean Park, and then Wiltshire at Calne on Easter Monday.

They take on Hampshire 2nds at the Ageas Bowl this Sunday (April 12th) - 11am start, to complete their warm-up before the opening fixture in the one day competition the following Sunday (19th) where

they entertain Cornwall.

That's followed by consecutive Sunday games against Wiltshire (Warminster), Devon (Dean Park) and Wales (Brymbo/Wrexham), to complete the round-robin matches.

Squeezed in between is a home friendly against Hampshire's 1st XI on Bank Holiday Monday.

For T20 fans there is a one-day extravaganza at Exmouth on May 31st between the West Country

teams with Devon facing Wiltshire and Dorset playing Cornwall. The two winning sides then play-off to see who goes forward to the finals day at Banbury in June.

If that was not enough to excite the average cricket fan, there follows the three-day championship matches which begin with a home game against Wiltshire (June 7th to 9th) and is followed by Oxfordshire, Cheshire, Shropshire, Devon and Berkshire.



## Lyme Skittles

LADIES	P	Pts	BL
Wootton Wobblers.....	13	25	19
Smashers.....	13	19	10
Rollercoasters.....	13	13	14
Hot Gossips.....	13	13	13
Wild Pins.....	13	12	11
La Crème.....	13	10	16
Just us.....	13	8	13
Generations.....	13	4	10

MENS DIV ONE	P	Pts	BL
Marksman.....	13	18	17
No Hoppers.....	13	18	15
Anthill Mob.....	13	15	16
Young Guns.....	13	15	14
Clueless.....	14	13	7
Skippy's Six.....	14	12	12
Tornadoes.....	13	12	12
Flyers.....	13	9	11
Roadrunners.....	14	8	10

MENS DIV TWO	P	Pts	BL
Rousdon Rebels.....	13	18	20
Trappers.....	13	18	7
Miscellaneous.....	14	16	19
Wreckers.....	14	16	18
Alleytwits.....	13	14	7
President's Men.....	13	14	17
Skittle Me Timbers.....	12	10	8
Shakers.....	12	8	8
British Legion.....	14	2	10

**Skittle Me Timbers v Shakers (04/03/15) Game rearranged by committee:**  
To be played on either Tues 21 April 2015 or Wed 13 May 2015 by mutual agreement

Home team captain to confirm with alley and sticker-up

## Missing Results – Tables updated as follows:

(02/02/15) Wild Pins won game and beer, Hot Gossips lost both

(23/02/15) Wootton Wobblers v Hot Gossips: Both teams cancelled: Shared points and shared beer.

(16/03/15) La Creme won game, Hot Gossips won beer  
(16/03/15) Wootton Wobblers won game and beer, Wild Pins lost both

**Correction:** Wild Pins v Smashers: Beer was a draw and not won by Wild Pins as originally recorded. Table has been amended with this updated information.

## Bridport Table Skittles

Division A	Pld	Pts	B/L
Jesters.....	16	65	12
Chilli Heads.....	16	55	11
Crown Duels.....	15	53	11
What an Anchor.....	17	50	10
Second Hand.....	17	47	13
Ria Gunners.....	17	37	8
No Hoppers.....	16	31	5
What's the Odds.....	16	30	7
Baggies Boys.....	16	20	3
Mucking Fuddlers.....	16	17	2

Division B	Pld	Pts	B/L
George Gormets.....	17	55	12
Devils.....	16	52	9
Fred's Heroes.....	15	50	11
Odds Against.....	15	47	8
Consorts.....	17	44	7
Fishermens Fr.....	17	38	7
Mel's Men.....	15	33	10
Anchor Aces.....	17	32	7
Slingshot.....	17	30	2
Five Alive.....	16	24	5

Division C	Pld	Pts	B/L
Pat the Hat.....	14	47	10
Pin Ups.....	14	47	10
Nelson Villains.....	15	43	11
Bellends.....	14	42	10
Little Nibblers.....	15	37	9
Stickups.....	14	34	6
About Time.....	13	32	5
Holy Sheets.....	14	29	3
No Problem.....	15	9	1

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## Hockey

# Ladies prepared after injury scare

BEAMINSTER Ladies Hockey Club have taken evasive action after one of their players was hit by the ball which needed major medical surgery.

Tracey Smith was struck on the finger during the match against Bournemouth 3rds in mid-February.

The experienced defender was first off the line when the visitors were awarded a short corner, but unfortunately the shot was slightly lifted and the ball ripped into her hand causing a serious injury which almost severed the top section of her finger.

Fortunately skillful surgery at Plymouth's Derriford Hospital has hopefully saved the finger and she hopes to resume playing again next season.

However the incident was a sharp reminder to all the team about some of the hazards in playing sport, and the following week all the defenders ensured they wore two gloves, and were issued with faceguards.

Now on the way to recovery, Tracey was back watching her colleagues secure runners-up spot in Channel Division One in the last game of the season recently, and posed with the defence in front of goal with their additional head protection after the game.



◆ **PROTECTED:** Beaminster Ladies' Julia May, Jenny Clarke, Tracey Smith, Lisa Condliffe and Sarah Davies are better protected after Tracey needed surgery after being injured in February

# A chance to learn Tai Chi 37

DAVID Hall is continuing to teach Tai Chi on Wednesday evenings in Bridport with Tai Chi 37 classes.

Tai Chi 37 was originally developed by Dr Shen Hongxun, and is based on the principles of Nan Pai (Southern School).

This consists of 37 positions flowing seamlessly from one to the next. The practice of this form combines the benefits of exercise, meditation and energy work and substantially inte-

grates your physical, mental and energy systems.

Tai Chi has a positive effect to one's health in not only treating existing conditions, but preventing new ones.

Learning a form gives the students an extremely clear exercise routine which can become a very enjoyable daily habit and one from which the benefit will only increase as the practitioners knowledge and skill develops.

Tai Chi is the study of Yin and

Yang - opposites that complement each other, and, with study and practice, physical, mental and spiritual balance can be achieved.

Classes start on Wednesday, April 15th, and the first lesson is free. Anyone interested should contact David on 01308 867 278 or email [david@hallofenergy.co.uk](mailto:david@hallofenergy.co.uk)

For more information visit [www.hallofenergy.co.uk](http://www.hallofenergy.co.uk)

◆ **NEW:** David Hall who is organising new Tai Chi 37 classes in Bridport



## World Cup Trophy set to visit Weymouth

RUGBY Union's greatest prize, the Webb Ellis Cup will visit Weymouth & Portland as part of its tour of the UK ahead of the Rugby World Cup 2015 which takes place in September.



The gilded silver trophy, which stands 15 inches (38cm) high, is named after William Webb Ellis, who is credited as the inventor of rugby football.

The trophy will arrive in Weymouth on July 12th to coincide with Weymouth & Portland Rugby Club's Beach Tag / Tag Rugby festival.

Launched on June 10th, 100 days before the opening match, the Rugby World Cup Trophy Tour will travel through Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, Wales and England before arriving at Twickenham Stadium on September 18th ahead of the opening ceremony.

Weymouth & Portland RFC will welcome the tour alongside their annual beach event which is open to everybody who wishes to enter a team from local rugby clubs to cubs, scouts, guides, youth clubs, schools, colleges and sports clubs.

This year the event will take on a World Cup theme with teams encouraged to play as national teams taking part in this year's World Cup.

Chris Davis, Secretary of Weymouth and Portland RFC said: "This will be a great honour for the club and Weymouth and Portland to host the Trophy Tour at our annual beach rugby festival, and will be a highlight of this year's event."

A spokesperson for England Rugby 2015 said: "With less than six months to go we are delighted to announce that Weymouth & Portland will host the Rugby World Cup Trophy Tour on its 100 day journey across the UK and Ireland.

"It will be the perfect opportunity to excite and engage fans across the UK and Ireland and make 2015 feel like the year of the rugby nation.

Delivering a continuous 100 day tour means we can give as many fans as possible the opportunity to see the Webb Ellis Cup and tell us their rugby story as they countdown to their own tournament experience.

Rugby World Cup Trophy Tour information can be viewed at [rugbyworldcup.com/trophy-tour](http://rugbyworldcup.com/trophy-tour), full details on the locations and events will be updated in the coming months.

### Beach festival booking details

To enter a team in the beach festival, e-mail Chris Davis on [beachrugby@weymouthandportlandrfc.org.uk](mailto:beachrugby@weymouthandportlandrfc.org.uk).

## Lyme Golf

# Dare wins

by Richard Jackman

IN THE last round of the Winter league, the weather had the last word but despite that a gritty performance by Luke De Pasquale saw him win with 35 points from Matthew Watson 33 points and David Lyon 32 points.

In the ladies April medal top of silver division with a nett 74 was lady captain, Rosie Jackman, with Susan Moore taking 2nd on count back from Jane Dixon both with 77. Run-away leader and with the best score of the day was Rosemary Dare who comfortably won the bronze division with an exceptional nett 69. 2nd on countback was Pat Hunt from Sheila Claringbold with 80.

In the junior stableford the now familiar names of junior captain George Seed, who is playing consistently well, David Lyon, and Stuart Wright finished 1, 2 & 3 with respective scores of 38 points, 36 points and 26 points.

## Youth cricket at Uplyme

UPLYME Cricket Club is hoping to enter Under 11, Under 13 and Under 15 teams in the West Dorset Junior Leagues this season.

All players are welcome to attend training and join the club.

The U11s training gets underway on Saturday, April 25th from 9.30 to 11am, whilst the older age groups start on Wednesday, April 22nd from 4 to 5.30pm.

All sessions take place at the King George Playing Fields, Uplyme.

For further details contact Eddie Clarke on 07474682941 or see the club website for special parent / child memberships at [www.uplymeandlymeregiscricketclub.com](http://www.uplymeandlymeregiscricketclub.com)

## Youth football

# Double figures for under 12s

### Lyme Regis

CONNOR Tate (4), Louis Rinaldi (2), Ethan Mathews (2) Oscar Travil, and Matthew House all got on the scoresheet as Lyme Regis U12s thrashed Millwey Rise 10-1 with keeper Joe Shrub selected as MoM.



Bridport Skittles

CUP fixtures:  
**Knock Out Cup Semi-Final**  
Tuesday 7th April - Lodgers  
Crazy Gang v Broadoak  
Thursday 9th April - Tiger  
Rough Eight v Shipfaced  
**Cup Winners Cup Semi-Final**  
Tuesday 7th April  
Bradpole Club  
Shipfaced v Originals (10)  
Wednesday 8th April  
Lord Nelson  
Alleycats (10) v Castouts  
**Over 58s Final**  
Wednesday 8th April  
Woodman - D Maunder; S  
Gale; M Barnes; L Dare; M  
Hansford; G Legg; S Yeatman;  
A Huxter;  
**Mixed Fours Final**  
Thursday 9th April, 7.30pm Start  
West Dorset Club - Rest of  
the Best; Focus Four; Brook-  
side; After Eights.

Division A	Pld	Pts
Wanderers.....	18	32
Shipfaced.....	18	28
Masters.....	19	26
Rejects.....	17	23
Rockets.....	19	22
Rough Eight.....	19	22
Lively Lads.....	19	16
Denhay.....	18	14
Slingers.....	19	13
Broadoak.....	19	9
The Dingles.....	19	7

Division B	Pld	Pts
Nelson Nobblers.....	17	30
Originals.....	19	28
Dinohats.....	18	26
U Know the Blokes.....	18	23
NBC.....	18	20
Miss The Ball.....	18	16
Crazy Gang.....	19	16
Gerryatics.....	19	14
Bangers.....	17	13
7" Clock.....	18	12
LHS.....	19	12
Mean Machine.....	18	8

Division C	Pld	Pts
Castouts.....	19	30
Countrymen.....	19	30
Pioneers.....	19	24
Whiskey Chasers.....	19	23
Bulldogs.....	19	20
Strawpeedoes.....	18	19
Aussies Lot.....	19	16
Unknowns.....	18	16
Pinsecrakes.....	19	15
Alcoholics.....	19	14
Survivors.....	19	12
AFAR.....	19	7

Division D	Pld	Pts
Yo Yo's.....	19	28
Stingers.....	19	26
Groundhogs.....	17	24
Let 'em Roll.....	17	22
Alleycats.....	19	20
Brandy Snaps.....	18	20
Featherbeds.....	18	20
Hidden Talent.....	16	18
Offcuts.....	17	17
Bad Girls.....	18	9
Pinbashers.....	19	6
Tiger Lilies.....	19	6

Calling female youth footballers

SEATON Youth Football field an Under 16 Girls team in the Devon Girls League playing around fourteen fixtures on Sunday mornings. The team has enjoyed a successful first year and new players are needed for next season. If you are interested and currently in Years 10 or 11 at school, please get in touch with the club. Until two years ago Seaton Women fielded a team in the Devon Women's League and it is hoped to reform the side for next season. A meeting will be held on Sunday, April 19th at noon in the clubhouse of Seaton Town FC to discuss this possibility, and all those interested are most welcome to attend. Further details on both of the above can be obtained from Jamie Bond, Seaton Girls Manager, on 07703647709. If you are under the age of 16 please will you ask a parent to make the initial call.

Bees news

Street wise Bees get their revenge

Street 2 Bridport 3  
Friday, April 3rd - Toolstation Premier

IT looked like Boxing Day all over again as a charitable Bridport defence gave their hosts a two goal start instead of handing out Easter eggs. However unlike the reverse fixture at St Mary's Field when the Bees found themselves trailing 4-1 at half-time before losing 5-2, they came out a different team after the break at the Tannery Ground. Having pulled a goal back before the interval, they went on to dominate the second half and score twice to take all three points. Although Bridport did not play badly in the first half they made two mistakes which were punished. The first came when they failed to take the easy option when caught in possession as they tried to play the ball out of defence and it was quickly played into the area to put the hosts ahead. Then Bridport lost the ball in

midfield and the Cobblers took advantage to score a second. Although keeper Ashley Weeks also had to make a routine save, tipping the ball over the bar, Bridport had plenty of possession, and they pulled a goal back on 38 minutes when Jamie Symes headed Dan Wise's corner back across goal where Chris Clarke volleyed it home. Bridport came out fired up for the second half and they started to take control. They equalised on 69 minutes when Clarke and Matt Morley produced some good interplay down the left, before the latter cut the ball back into the danger area. An initial shot rebounded to Jamie Symes who fired home the equaliser from 12 yards. The fact that Weeks had nothing to do in the second half show how well Bridport defended, and their dominance won the game ten minutes from time when Shane Evans, who had been pushed forward, crossed from the left. The willing and experi-

enced Warren Byerley challenged for the ball to keep it alive, and when the ball ran loose, Clarke was on hand to volley home with his right foot. Byerley almost added a fourth before the end from a cross from the left but with a defender challenging him at the near post he couldn't quite control it and he put the ball over the top. Manager Trevor Senior said: "In the first half we had plenty of possession but made two mistakes which they cashed in on. Chris Clarke's goal just before halftime was a lifeline for us. "We were always in the game, and at halftime I told the lads that we just needed to work harder. Give them their due that is exactly what they did, and we dominated the second and thoroughly deserved the win, and at the end Street seemed drained. "We're obviously disappointed by the two goals we gave away, but we did well to turn it around, and I got more out of this game that beating Bishop Sutton 5-0 last week."

Winning run halted by Gills

**Bridport 1 Gillingham 3**  
Monday, April 6th  
Toolstation Premier  
BRIDPORT were hoping to make it three wins on the trot when they entertained Gillingham Town at St Mary's on Monday. However they came unstuck as they went down 3-1. The visitors took a second minute lead when Edward Farrington beat the offside trap to score with ease. Warren Byerley levelled the score just three minutes later when he converted Dan Wise's cross from close range. Steve Smith regained the lead for Gillingham nine minutes into the second half before Elliott Bevis sealed the points in the last minute after skipper Ryan Hayter and Shane Evans collided attempting to clear a through ball.

Gale shows that old magic!

**Bridport Reserves 3 Cranborne 1**  
Monday, April 4th - Dorset Premier  
SIMON Gale came off the sub's bench to grab a brace as Bridport consolidated a mid-table Dorset Premier League spot in a hectic end to the season on Saturday. Playing their third game in eight days, they made a bright start, and missed a great opportunity to stamp their authority on the game after two minutes. They continued to create chances throughout the first half, and with Cranborne getting as many men behind the ball, it looked like they were going to be frustrated. However four minutes before the break, Jack Scovell put Ben Clarke in to score the opener. At halftime manager Robin Townsend urged his

players to continue creating in the second half, and ensure they did not let their visitors back in the game, but after once again were caught out at Cranborne's first set play routine which yielded an equaliser. Townsend introduced Gale on the hour, and with ten minutes to go the experienced striker showed his skills by converting Scovell's cut back from 10 yards. He made the game safe five minutes later with a bullet header from Chris Herbst's corner kick. Townsend said: "Cranborne came with a plan to frustrate us by getting men back behind the ball. Had we scored the early opportunity it could have perhaps changed things, and once again we went to sleep for their equaliser after telling them we couldn't afford to let them back into the game. "However we created a lot of chances which was

good to see, and Simon Gale showed his reputation as a goal scorer with two nice goals." The win follows the 2-0 home defeat by title chasing Portland Reserves earlier in the week. Once again the Bees fell vulnerable to a set piece, given away needlessly and Ross Carmichael capitalised with a free header early on. However Bridport responded well and Townsend thought his side were the better team in the first half. "We responded well after going behind, but they are a well organised team and didn't let us back in the game after the break." Portland scored a second on the hour through Ross Doidge with another free header, and although they had Charlie may sent off, comfortably held Bridport at bay.

Bridport under 13s are Dorset champs

BRIDPORT Youth under 13s football team have been crown champions of Dorset, having won the Dorset Youth League with three games to go. They achieved this honour having lost just one and drawn one game all season. In the process they have scored 70 goals and conceded only 16. Their last game of the season is on Sunday, April 12th kick off 2pm this game will be against Chick-erel F.C at Bridport Football Club, Saint Mary's Field, Bridport. The team are very grateful to Bridport Football Club for allowing them to use their ground for what will be a fitting conclusion to the season. Everyone is welcome to come to this game which will be a very special occasion. The team is made up of Grant Rist, Chandler Hallet. Lewis Keenan, Manny Cox, George Calverley, Mika Mamanta, Charlie Reeder, Callum Arnold, Ronan Judd-English, Cole Lowden (captain), Rosie Kirby, Morgan Napier, Finlay Davy, Noah Lee-Adler, Isaac House and Ryan Leader. The management team of David Leader, Mark Calverley and Mark Cuff said "this is a fantastic achievement by a very talented group of players, they have worked really hard and played some great attacking football. They are a very tight group, work very hard for each other, there is a great spirit amongst them. They deserve their success and we are very very proud of them".



◆ COUNTY CHAMPIONS: Bridport Youth under 13s football team won the Dorset Youth League with three games to spare.

Bridport Darts

Division One	Pld	Pts
BSC.....	19	33
Robb Robbers.....	20	26
Knapp Inn.....	19	24
Nomads.....	19	23
Outsiders.....	19	19
Nags Head A.....	19	18
Hands of Time.....	19	17
Rubber Johns.....	19	17
The Hitmen.....	19	15
It's in the Middle.....	19	14
One for the Vikings.....	19	4
<b>180s leaders:</b> Tony Young & Sam Legg both x8, Terry Prowse x6, Mark Fisher x5, six players all x4, six players x3.		

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Young Darters.....	18	31
Odds or Us.....	17	24
Elders.....	17	23
Dat Team.....	17	21
Les Miserables.....	17	21
Poachers.....	17	15
Royal Hawks.....	17	13
Anchor Vale Viewers.....	17	11
Flashes Fives.....	17	9
The Surgeons.....	18	4
<b>180s leaders:</b> Andy Reid & Prowley both x4, Alistair Coutts & Robin Townsend both x3, five players all x2, eight players x1.		

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Midnight Runners.....	17	23
Otter Rotters.....	18	23
Time Bombs.....	17	23
Inbetweeners.....	17	20
Anchor Five.....	17	18
Mis Fit.....	17	18
Only Just.....	17	14
The Royal Nuts.....	17	14
Tip Top Odds.....	17	9
Odds & Sods.....	16	8
<b>180s leaders:</b> Chris Eaton, Andre Reynolds & Paul Bearpark all x3, James Crabb & Kevin Pratt x2, nine players x1.		

Division Four	Pld	Pts
No Direction.....	17	25
Tiger Bees.....	17	24
Dodgers.....	18	23
Robbie's Rebels.....	17	23
Sorted Odds.....	18	20
Whamo.....	17	19
Con Artists.....	17	15
Mozzies Heroes.....	17	10
Red Arrows.....	18	8
Money Shot Mafia.....	18	7
<b>180s leaders:</b> Billy Hallett, Paul Norman, J Hunter, Dan Rawlings, Bob Rendell, Fran Potter, Andy Page & Kevin Day (all x1).		

Ladies Division One	Pld	Pts
Tender Trap.....	25	43
Anchor Aces.....	25	38
Clocking In.....	25	31
Knight 'n' Gals.....	24	30
Queen Bees.....	24	23
Against the Odds.....	24	17
Queenies of the Club.....	25	8
Cliff Hangers.....	24	6
<b>180s:</b> Sarah Chick x4, Janet Collins & Tina Dawe both x2, Sharon Poole, Liz Vowells & Sue Violet all x1.		

Ladies Division Two	Pld	Pts
Sue's Rebels.....	21	34
Castaways.....	22	34
Tracey's Tarts.....	23	29
Next Door.....	21	24
Wildcats.....	21	22
Good Mates.....	21	16
Anchors Aweigh.....	22	16
Tiger Stripes.....	21	13
Charlie's Angels.....	22	6
<b>180s leaders:</b> L.Sweet x1		

Lyme Regis	Pld	Pts
Current table		
Rousdon Club.....	20	39
Nags Head A.....	20	37
Nags Z.....	19	28
Rockpoint.....	20	28
Janners.....	21	22
Four Play.....	20	20
Talbot Arms.....	19	18
Hunters Lodge.....	19	14
Royal Standard.....	19	14
Cobb Arms.....	20	12
George.....	21	6
Half an Octopus.....	20	0
<b>180s:</b> Terry Prowse x10, Mark Barnett x6, Wayne Doble & R.Cross x4, Chris Higgs, Mark Doherty, Tom Bond & Matt Brotherton x2, six players x1.		



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## INSIDE: local sport round-up

### Magpies put hole in Dolphins title chances

**Dorchester Town 2  
Poole Town 1**

Southern Premier – att; 824

GOALS from Ben Watson and Nick Crittenden secured Dorchester three points which almost ensure their place next season in the Evo-Stik Southern Premier League whilst condemning Poole Town to their first back-to-back defeat of this campaign and denting their chances of automatic promotion.

With Arlesley also winning, it means the Magpies need a point to ensure safety providing The Blues win all their remaining three games which is a tall order as two of them are against Truro City and Redditch United.

Manager Mark Jermyn who had to sit this game out as part of his release from Poole Town to return to The Avenue, restored Watson and Jamie Gleeson who were rested for Saturday's 3-0 defeat at Cambridge City on Saturday, and included assistant manager Nick Crittenden for his first start since February.

They took the lead in the 8th minute following Gleeson's ball into the box

which was headed back across his goal by Lewis Lindsay. Watson, who was named man of the match, beat Michael Walker, brother of Magpies Nathan to the ball, to hook his shot over keeper Nick Hutchings and high inside the far post.

However the lead was short lived with Luke Burbidge equalising just three minutes later. A throw-in on the left was flicked on by Joe Quigley, and former Terra Burbidge raced in to score with a firm header into the top left corner of goal.

This gave the Dolphins a bit of momentum, and Burbidge made a couple of dangerous runs down the right wing.

However Dorchester soon settled again and Crittenden fired over the top from 20 yards when Chris Dillon's long throw was cleared to him.

They did however have a let-off soon after when former Magpie Steve Devlin made a surging run from in his own half, and as the Magpies defence backed off he fired in a shot. The ball took a deflection off a defender and looped crazily in the air wrongfooting keeper Alan Walker-

by Stuart Broom  
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Harris and fell to Poole's left back Will Spetch, but his shot from an angle hit the outside of the post.

Dorchester were by far the better side, closing down their opponents quickly and moving the ball quickly, and Crittenden was unlucky when his 20-yard goalbound effort was deflected for a corner by Burbidge.

On 34 minutes Lewis Morgan had a great chance to put his side ahead. Poole claimed offside when Watson played the midfielder in on the left but with just Hutchings to beat he fired wide of the far post.

The second half started as the first with the Magpies on the offensive, and they made their superiority count with a classic goal Glover Nick Crittenden just before the hour.

Hutchings unwisely punched a corner away which fell to the former Glover 25-years from goal who turned and found space before driving a low right foot shot inside the keeper's right hand post.

With the Dolphins looking listless, the game drifted along with Dorchester eas-

ily containing their visitor, although Devlin tried his best to pull out an equaliser when his free kick fizzed across the goal before trying a shot from 35 yards that went wide.

◆ **Two days earlier Dorchester were well beaten going down 3-0 at Cambridge City.**

Manager Mark Jermyn made four changes to the side that drew at Corby the previous week, and they could have gone ahead in the opening minutes through a header that went wide. Instead they found themselves a goal down on 19 minutes through Andrew Phillips who fired home a cross from six yards.

The Lilywhites doubled their advantage just on halftime when Danny Kelly chested the ball down before smashing his shot past Alan Walker-Harris.

Jermyn made a double substitution early in the second half, replacing Jason Brookes and Oakley Hanger with Dan Smith and Sam Lanahan, but they couldn't stop Phillips adding a third with a stupendous goal on the hour with a superb dipping 18-yard volley on the angle.

### Terras sunk by promotion rivals

**Truro City 2 Weymouth 0**

WEYMOUTH slipped down into the final play-off spot following their defeat at promotion seeking rivals Truro City on Easter Monday.

Hungerford Town's 2-0 victory over Slough Town sees them move above Weymouth by a point, although the Terras have a game in hand.

However with their current form as it is, they could find themselves replaced by St Neots Town, who visit The Avenue this Saturday, who are one point behind although having played a game more.

The first half at Treyew Road was scrappy with a lot of long ball played. Recalled Jordan Copp saw one shot blocked, and fired his second over the top as Weymouth registered the first efforts on goal, but on 30 minutes the Tinmen took the lead when Cody Cooke made no mistake by ramming his shot into the roof of the net after Shane Krac's cross was headed back into his path.

Former Terra Ed Palmer tested on loan keeper Joe Wollacott early in the second half with a stinging shot that he tipped over the bar, whilst at the other end Copp's cross appeared to hit the crossbar before being cleared.

Truro clinched the points with six minutes to go when skipper Jake Ash headed home Ryan Brett's corner.

Weymouth desperately need three points on Saturday when they visit lowly Banbury United as they then face two very tough home matches against leaders Corby Town and second placed Poole Town.

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